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ABSTRACT

This Kids Count Data Book examines trends in the well-being of California's children, focusing on factors influencing young children. This statistical portrait is based on trends in 19 indicators of child well-being in four areas: (1) family economics, including child poverty rate, children receiving TANF, children receiving WIC, fair market rent, infants born to mothers with less than 12 years of education, child care, and child support; (2) health, including prenatal care, low birthweight, infant mortality, teen births, and mothers initiating exclusive breastfeeding; (3) education, including classrooms, student proficiency, and public libraries; (4) safety, including foster care, child abuse, gun injuries and deaths, and motor vehicle injuries and deaths. The data book's introduction details key findings, discusses data interpretation, and makes recommendations. Part 1, the bulk of the report, contains fact sheets for each county and the state, including information on demographics, overall state findings, county rankings, and trends in the above indicators, with data presented by racial/ethnic group. Data explanations and sources follow. Part 2 contains summary tables organized by indicator detailing state and county findings for five additional indicators median yearly income, unemployment, low income children, high school dropout rates, and graduates prepared for college. The data book's findings indicate that 13 California counties have young child

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poverty rates of 30 percent or higher. Infant mortality has dropped, with continued racial differences. Statewide teen birth rates continue to drop, with significant ethnic group differences. In the most populous counties, at least 40 percent of Head Start-eligible children are not enrolled. (KB)

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# COUNTY DATA BOOK 1999

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# Alpine County

## County Highlights

Alpine is the least populated county in the state and has the least number of children. A large percentage (29%) of Alpine County's children live in families below the poverty level. This may partly explain why the county ranks 52nd of 58 counties in the percent of children receiving public assistance. Although there are no high schools in Alpine County, young children there experience the highest per pupil expenditure and the smallest class sizes in the state. Despite these advantages, third grade math scores are below average compared to other counties.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,217 | 229 | 58 | 100% |
| African-American | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0% |
| Asian | 10 | 4 | 2 | 3% |
| Latino | 86 | 18 | 4 | 7% |
| Native American | 317 | 95 | 34 | 59% |
| White | 801 | 112 | 18 | 31% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 7

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 28.5% | 27.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 21.4% | 24.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0% | NS |
| Native American | 42.1% | 29.4% |
| White | 7.1% | 22.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 54 |
| Percent of all eligible | 150.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $510 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 53.2% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4 | 5.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | NS | NS |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $390 | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 78% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $102 | NR | NR |

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# Introduction

Recent neurological research complements what many parents and early interventionists have known for years: that children undergo tremendous emotional, social, cognitive and physical growth during their first years of life and that their genetic make-up only partially determines the course of their development. In addition, their relationships and their environments have a profound impact on their well-being, offering opportunities to maximize children's potential—or cause harm.

While no one should infer that older children and adults are somehow "beyond" help, it is often true that intervening early in the lives of children and families is the most effective and least costly. Children Now has focused this year's *California County Data Book* and *Report Card* on the status of children from birth to age five and their families to provide information for those developing policies that seek to capitalize on these special years.

Understanding the importance of early childhood continues to grow. We know, for example, that infancy and early childhood are prime times for learning. What may seem to be a one-sided conversation with a baby is actually a rich dialogue: as the parent speaks or sings, the infant picks up clues essential for language development. If the infant enjoys the stimulation, she coos and gurgles, enticing the parent to continue and strengthening the bond between them. If the infant has had enough she may turn away or cry. At these times, it's important for the parent to follow the infant's cue so she'll learn to trust that those she loves will respond to her needs. With nurturing care, infants grow into children excited and ready to learn from their world.

But not all families know how or are able to create the caring environment children need. Parenting skills are not inborn. Particularly (but not exclusively) families under stress—from factors such as poverty, domestic violence or being a single or teen parent—may need special services to help them take care of their young child. Likewise, not all young children are developmentally equipped to take on the social, emotional, cognitive and physical tasks of early childhood. These children may need intensive resources to help address delays and disabilities; their families may need extra support and guidance, too.

A community that marshals its resources can be a powerful ally for new parents. All children need access to health care and most will use child care. Libraries and safe parks can augment children's learning and play environments. Other important services for families include parenting education and crisis intervention. Business practices and employment policies influence family life as well. Supporting families with young children is ultimately a community endeavor.

In recognition of the importance of early childhood and the benefits of community-based services, California's voters approved Proposition 10, the California Children and Families First Act. The new law levies a tobacco tax and earmarks the revenue for state and county activities to promote healthy early childhood development. Eighty percent of the estimated $650 million generated each year will be allocated by new county commissions, with the remaining twenty percent under the control of a state commission. The initiative provides Californians with the opportunity to create a seamless system of services, support and information for parents of young children. See www.children98.org for the full text of the initiative.

## Key Data Findings

The *California County Data Book* includes indicators from the fields of family economics, health, education and safety, as well as demographics data. When available and when significant, we present trend analysis and data according to racial and ethnic groups. Parents of and advocates for older children should note that many of the important indicators from past editions of this publication are included beginning on page 130.

A troubling finding emerges from Children Now's comparison of the well-being of all children with that of young children: young children are significantly more likely to be poor, which threatens their healthy development. While 24.3% of children birth to age 17 live in poverty, 28.6% of children birth to age four do. High percentages of rural and urban infants and toddlers alike live in families with incomes less than $16,450 for a family of four: about 40% of the young children in Los Angeles and Fresno and about half of the young children in Imperial County are poor.

California has not done all it could to ensure a safe and healthful environment for its young children:

- Adequate nutrition, including being breastfed, helps to promote growth and development and minimize health care and educational problems. The WIC program has proven success in improving mothers' and young children's access to nutritious foods, breastfeeding support and nutrition counseling, yet three in ten infants and toddlers eligible for WIC are not receiving services.

- High quality child care can enhance children's social, emotional, physical and intellectual growth. Yet with the average monthly cost for an infant to attend a child care center just over $650 a month (68 percent of a full-time minimum wage salary), many low-income working families have little or no ability to base their child care decision on quality.

- California's skyrocketing housing costs strain family budgets and threaten to make decent housing—a place where young children can safely explore and grow—an unattainable luxury. California's lowest fair market rents (in Colusa, Glenn, Modoc, Plumas, Siskiyou, Tehama and Trinity Counties) are about half of a full-time minimum wage income and the highest (in Marin, San Francisco and San Mateo Counties) exceed full-time minimum wage income.

- Infant mortality remains a tragic reality for too many families. Mirroring the persistently troubling national trend, the infant mortality rate for African-American children in California is more than double the state average and more than triple the rate for Asian/Pacific Islander families (who have the lowest rate).

But much in the lives of families is missing from this report. Beginning with our first *Report Card* ten years ago, Children Now has noted California's lack of data about critical indicators. This year is no different, and we hope that Proposition 10 and the statewide attention to early childhood issues will yield a meaningful commitment to gather and report accurate, consistent and relevant cross-county data. In particular, Children Now and the Report Card/County Data Book Advisory Committee believe that the following data at the county level, among others, are essential to future planning, yet these data are unavailable:

- The number of children waiting for child care spaces;
- The availability of high-quality, affordable child care;
- Children's preschool attendance;
- The number of children without health insurance;
- The number of toddlers up-to-date on their immunizations;
- Children's dental health;
- Cases of asthma, developmental delays and other prevalent conditions for young children;
- The number of lead poisoned young children;
- Children's housing status and conditions;
- Parent education levels and employment status;
- Rates of child abuse of young children.

In addition, some important indicators had rates that were uniformly so low that it became meaningless to include them in the *California County Data Book*. For example, UNICEF has developed "Baby Friendly" hospital protocols for promoting breastfeeding, such as rooming infants with their mothers when medically appropriate and not distributing free samples of baby formula. These practices have demonstrated success in improving breastfeeding, a practice which improves maternal and child health alike. Yet, in California, merely three hospitals and birthing centers have received official UNICEF certification and only 14 others have even initiated the certification process. The certifications per county are too small to report, but we should not ignore this finding.

Despite this lack of data, the *California County Data Book* can be used to understand at least in part how young children and their families are faring across the state. We urge readers to use the *California County Data Book* as part of the process of defining your county's and our state's priorities for Proposition 10 and other policy decisions affecting the well-being of young children and their families.

## Interpreting & Using the Data

To understand how young children in your county are faring:

- *Look at the trends in indicators.* In which areas is the county improving? In which areas are conditions worsening for children? Are there areas in which the outcomes have remained consistently poor? Do they reflect an earlier problem faced by young children?

- *Look at your county rankings compared to other counties.* In which areas is your county doing relatively well? What requires special attention? Are there any indicators for which the rank is significantly different from the rankings in other areas?

- *Compare your county to similar counties.* If you live in a large urban county, you may want to compare your outcomes for children with another large urban county. If you live in a rural or suburban county, compare your county with a similar one.

- *Look at how the well-being of young children compares to the well-being of older children.* Are young children generally faring better or worse than all children? Do young children need special attention on any particular issue?

- *Compare how well different ethnic groups fare in your county.* Does parity exist across ethnic lines? How do different ethnic groups fare across several indicators? Please note that, for some indicators, county averages may hide important disparities among ethnic groups, children of various ages and different neighborhoods of the county.

## Recommendations

Local Proposition 10 implementation can catalyze sustained county-based planning on behalf of very young children. The heightened public concern regarding young children's well-being should also motivate action at the state level, in the private sector and in the everyday lives of Californians.

### At the County Level

- *Involve parents and diverse sectors in Proposition 10 planning and evaluation.* The collaborative intent of the initiative opens up opportunities to engage diverse sectors of the community in planning and evaluating services. Most critically, parents of young children should be encouraged to participate. Local commissions can do so by addressing parents' transportation, child care and translation needs and by setting meeting times that make attendance feasible. In addition, special outreach may be needed to engage the business sector, which has a tremendous impact on children's lives as employers of their parents. In turn, business is directly and indirectly affected by the well-being of children, families and communities.

- *Probe further into young children's needs in your community.* The *California County Data Book* provides information on young children that is available for every county, but additional investigation and data collection in individual counties can yield further information about how well young children are doing in one's own region. County health departments, departments of education and child care resource and referral agencies are among the entities with valuable local information about children.

## At the State Level

- *Develop and fund the implementation of a Master Plan for California's Young Children.* Similar to the Master Plan for Higher Education and others developed at the state level, a Master Plan for California's Young Children would help prioritize state resources dedicated to young children and their families, and would promote joint public and private sector efforts directed at achieving common goals.

- *Expand the availability of high-quality child care.* Qualified and experienced child care providers are an important component of quality care. California should provide funds to compensate child care providers who further their own professional development. The Legislature approved, but the governor deleted, such funds in the 1999-2000 state budget. With subsidized care available to just one in four of the children who qualifies, California must develop a long-term, sustainable strategy to increase resources dedicated to helping families meet child care costs. Partnerships with the private sector, such as a state matching fund for employer contributions to child care costs, should be developed.

- *Improve health insurance programs to cover all eligible children.* The 1999-2000 state budget included modest health coverage expansions for children and parents, but held fast to requiring an assets test to determine parents' eligibility for health insurance. Forcing parents to complete extra administrative paperwork already eliminated for children is an unnecessary bureaucratic burden and should be remedied in the coming year. Other steps to improve children's coverage include:
  - allowing children to be enrolled in Medi-Cal for one continuous year;
  - eliminating all documentation for Healthy Families and Medi-Cal for children not required by federal law; and
  - implementing Express Lane eligibility for children, which would make children enrolled in other public programs income eligible for health coverage.

- *Increase the affordable housing supply.* Housing costs pose a tremendous burden to many of California's families. California should establish a source of funding—potentially through the issuance of bonds—to ensure that the private market, public housing agencies and non-profit housing organizations continue building affordable housing units for low-income Californians.

- *Design the state budget with children as the top priority.* Eleven other states have established a state Earned Income Credit (EIC), which supplements the federal EIC, a refundable tax credit for low-income working families. Approximately 2.3 million low-income working California families would gain a valuable supplement to their family resources through a state EIC. In addition, our current array of tax expenditures should be reconsidered annually to determine their benefit to children and families.

- *Improve information systems about young children's well-being.* This report notes a number of important indicators of young children's well-being about which we lack county-level information and, in some cases, state-level information. Understanding children's needs at a local level is essential for utilizing resources wisely to promote their healthy development. State officials should develop a plan to improve public data systems regarding outcomes for young children.

## The Private Sector

Thirty-five percent of employed parents in California have children under age five, making the private sector highly influential in the lives of young children. In addition to becoming involved with their local Proposition 10 planning and implementation efforts, the private sector can:

- Become engaged in local and statewide efforts to expand access to and improve the quality of child care.
- Survey your employees with young children about which benefits (child care resource and referral, child care services, health care, maternity/paternity leave, etc.) would be most helpful to their efforts to balance work and family. Assure that employee health coverage provides for important prevention services for young children.
- Get involved in local efforts to increase the affordable housing supply, an important factor in workforce recruitment and retention.
- Talk with other business leaders about the importance of early childhood and how workplace policies influence the lives of parents and children. Help create a family-friendly business culture in your community.

**All Californians**

Parenting a young child can be one of life's most joyful experiences. It can also be challenging, scary and lonely. As a resident of California, you can take steps to make our state better for all children and families:

- Vote for candidates who offer concrete suggestions for supporting children and families. Call your elected officials and tell them that you are concerned about the well-being of young children in your community.
- Support programs in your community that help young children. You can learn about programs through county volunteer agencies, local libraries, child care resource and referral agencies and the mayor's office.
- Reach out to parents of young children in your neighborhood with help and support.

The children of

# California

## County Highlights

California is the nation's largest state and one of its most diverse. One in eight U.S. children reside in California and it is predicted that by the year 2025, one in five of the nation's children will call California home. In recent years, California's infant mortality and teen birth rates have continued to decline. Yet, nearly one in four children under age eighteen and nearly 29% of children under age five live in families with incomes at or below the federal poverty level ($16,450 for a family of four). California families confront increasing child care and housing costs.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 33,506,406 | 9,426,168 | 3,363,312 | 100% |
| African-American | 2,309,152 | 702,441 | 235,540 | 7% |
| Asian | 3,716,953 | 1,056,688 | 370,593 | 11% |
| Latino | 10,022,551 | 3,847,685 | 1,562,203 | 46% |
| Native American | 199,747 | 50,286 | 16,067 | <1% |
| White | 17,258,003 | 3,769,068 | 1,178,909 | 35% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 524,174

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.3% | 28.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 15.2% | 16.3% |
| African-American | 39.5% | 45.9% |
| Asian | 16.4% | 12.3% |
| Latino | 16.3% | 17% |
| Native American | 17.6% | 19.3% |
| White | 9.1% | 10.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 942,858 |
| Percent of all eligible | 68.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | NA |
| As percent of minimum wage | NA |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 166,525 | 31.8% |
| African-American | 7,027 | 19.5% |
| Asian | 7,979 | 14.1% |
| Latino | 134,255 | 54.0% |
| Native American | 755 | 29.2% |
| White | 16,378 | 9.2% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $585 | NA | $651 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $407 | NA | $467 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 48% | 59% | 64% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $78 | $91 | $95 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.6% | 3.8% | 3.7% |
| African-American | 5.1% | 4.2% | 4.5% |
| Asian | 3.2% | 2.8% | 2.9% |
| Latino | 5.8% | 4.9% | 4.6% |
| Native American | 9.8% | 7.5% | 7.2% |
| White | 3.2% | 2.4% | 2.4% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.1% | 6.1% | 6.1% |
| African-American | 12.1% | 11.9% | 12.1% |
| Asian | 6.4% | 6.8% | 6.8% |
| Latino | 5.5% | 5.4% | 5.6% |
| Native American | 6.8% | 6.1% | 5.7% |
| White | 5.6% | 5.5% | 5.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.3 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| African-American | 14.1 | 14.0 | 13.2 |
| Asian | 4.4 | 4.0 | 4.0 |
| Latino | 5.8 | 5.4 | 5.6 |
| Native American | 7.3 | 4.5 | 3.9 |
| White | 6.0 | 5.6 | 5.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 67.2 | 61.6 | 56.7 |
| African-American | 87.7 | 78.1 | 74.6 |
| Asian | 26.1 | 23.1 | 21.6 |
| Latino | 120.5 | 112.9 | 103.5 |
| Native American | 76.5 | 65.4 | 69.1 |
| White | 33.1 | 29.5 | 26.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 43% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | NA | NA |
| Average class size | 29.1 | 27.4 | 27.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,287 | $4,570 | $4,938 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 25% | 25% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 47% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 46% | 56% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.4 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.3 | 10.3 |
| African-American | 53.7 | 47.6 |
| Asian | 1.6 | 1.5 |
| Latino | 7.9 | 6.9 |
| Native American | 24.2 | 26.7 |
| White | 9.1 | 9.6 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 706,918 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 78.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 909 | 38 |
| Deaths | 337 | 19 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 48,788 | 7,389 |
| Deaths | 408 | 88 |

## California

### Family Economics

- Thirteen counties have young child poverty rates of 30% or higher, with young children living in the Central Valley among the most likely to be poor.

- Seven of the eight most unaffordable metropolitan areas in the nation are in California. In these regions, at least 67% of renters pay more than half their income on rent.

### Health

- California's infant mortality rate has dropped, from 6.3 deaths per 1,000 births in 1995 to 5.9 per 1,000 births in 1997. However, the mortality rate for African-American infants remains twice that of white infants.

- Statewide teen birth rates continue to improve, falling from 67.2 per 1,000 female teens ages 15 to 19. However, significant differences remain among various ethnic groups.

### Education

- Among the thirteen counties where four-fifths of the state's children reside, at least 40% of children eligible for Head Start (a federally funded comprehensive preschool program for low-income children) are not enrolled.

- California's class size reduction efforts for the early grades have resulted in a decline in average K-12 class sizes, from 29.1 to 27.2 students between 1995 and 1997.

### Safety

- The rate of children ages 0-17 in foster care increased between 1995 and 1997, from 10.1 to 11.3 per 1,000 children. The rate of children under age six in foster care also increased from 9.6 to 10.3 per 1,000 children.

- Motor vehicle accidents claimed the lives of 408 California children in 1998, 88 of whom were under age six. In the same year, 48,788 children were injured, with 7,389 of these children under age six. Auto accidents are a leading cause of death for young children.

The children of

# Alameda County

## County Highlights

With one of California's largest child populations, Alameda County establishes more child support orders (as a percent of total cases) for children and families who need them than any other county in the state. Alameda County also is above average in the amount of monthly child support payments per cases with orders. The county ranks second in the state in the percent of pregnant women who receive prenatal care services. The county has one of the higher foster care rates for children under age eighteen.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,424,779 | 372,463 | 131,102 | 100% |
| African-American | 247,223 | 73,407 | 24,668 | 19% |
| Asian | 269,477 | 76,541 | 27,999 | 21% |
| Latino | 251,374 | 86,654 | 34,812 | 27% |
| Native American | 6,712 | 1,588 | 536 | <1% |
| White | 649,993 | 134,273 | 43,087 | 33% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 20,766

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 17.3% | 19.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 14.0% | 14.4% |
| African-American | 35.4% | 40.4% |
| Asian | 13.3% | 9.3% |
| Latino | 8.8% | 9.7% |
| Native American | 13.6% | 15.7% |
| White | 6.0% | 6.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 23,967 |
| Percent of all eligible | 60.6% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $812 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 84.7% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3,823 | 18.4% |
| African-American | 685 | 18.5% |
| Asian | 494 | 11.1% |
| Latino | 2,239 | 41.6% |
| Native American | 15 | 19.2% |
| White | 383 | 5.8% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $689 | NA | $704 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $481 | NA | $569 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 5% | NA | 6% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 83% | 89% | 88% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $103 | $102 | $105 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.3% | 1.8% | 2.1% |
| African-American | 3.4% | 2.4% | 3.2% |
| Asian | 2.4% | 1.6% | 2.2% |
| Latino | 2.6% | 2.3% | 2.5% |
| Native American | 4.0% | 5.2% | 3.8% |
| White | 1.4% | 1.3% | 1.2% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.9% | 7.0% | 6.9% |
| African-American | 12.7% | 12.3% | 13.2% |
| Asian | 6.3% | 7.0% | 6.4% |
| Latino | 5.3% | 5.1% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 9.1% | 3.1% | 3.8% |
| White | 5.3% | 5.5% | 4.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| African-American | 11.5 | 13.6 | 12.4 |
| Asian | 3.0 | 5.3 | 2.9 |
| Latino | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 10.4 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.4 | 3.6 | 6.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 52.8 | 46.7 | 43.1 |
| African-American | 86.4 | 75.8 | 70.8 |
| Asian | 20.4 | 19.9 | 17.0 |
| Latino | 99.9 | 89.7 | 79.6 |
| Native American | 56.9 | 76.2 | 48.8 |
| White | 26.2 | 21.0 | 18.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 66% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 42.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.6 | 26.9 | 27.0 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4519 | $4,767 | $5,199 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 19% | 19% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 49% | 56% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 45% | 56% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 6.7 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.3 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.7 | 9.6 |
| African-American | 42.2 | 35.4 |
| Asian | 1.2 | 1.1 |
| Latino | 4.2 | 3.3 |
| Native American | 15.6 | 16.3 |
| White | 5.4 | 4.5 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 14,120 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 40.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 28 | 2 |
| Deaths | 11 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,868 | 259 |
| Deaths | 8 | 0 |

## Alameda County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 19 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 17 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 28 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 22 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 35 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 50 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 12 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 31 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 48 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 12 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 2 / 48 |
| Child support. $ collected | 11 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 2 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 49 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 16 / 37 |
| Teen births | 20 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 19 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 39 / 57 |
| Average class size | 46 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 15 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 22 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 23 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 32 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 20 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 50 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 39 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 6 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 14 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 11 / 44 |

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## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 18.2% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | 25.0% | NS | NS |
| White | NS | NS | NS |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | 0.0% | NS | NS |
| White | NS | NS | NS |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | 0.0 | NS | NS |
| White | NS | NS | NS |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 108.1 | 26.3 | 24.4 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS | 83.3 |
| White | NS | NS | NS |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 33% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | NA | NA |
| Average class size | 15.7 | 13.9 | 16.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $8,818 | $9,991 | $13,252 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 0% | 0% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 44% | 63% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 33% | 44% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 403.4 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 33.8 | 48.4 |
| African American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | NS |
| Native American | 33.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 40.3 | 142.9 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 115 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 467.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 5 | 3 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Alpine County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 50 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 38 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF(0-17) | 52 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 54 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 1 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 15 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | NA / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | NA / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 50 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | NA / 57 |
| Average class size | 1 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 1 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 11 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 53 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 1 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | NR / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 58 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | NR / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Amador County

## County Highlights

Amador County ranks above average in many child well-being indicators, including the percent of child support orders established and the monthly dollar amount collected per cases with orders established. The county also has one of the lowest teen birth and low birthweight infant rates. Its child care costs also rank among the lowest in the state. Few of Amador's child care slots are available for infants. Amador ranks last in per pupil expenditures.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 33,988 | 6,451 | 1,791 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,664 | 134 | 8 | <1% |
| Asian | 222 | 48 | 22 | 1% |
| Latino | 2,982 | 721 | 189 | 11% |
| Native American | 486 | 108 | 31 | 2% |
| White | 28,634 | 5,440 | 1541 | 86% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 270

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.2% | 16.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.4% | 13.1% |
| African-American | 1.5% | 12.5% |
| Asian | 2.1% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 2.9% | 4.8% |
| Native American | 16.7% | 19.4% |
| White | 10.3% | 14.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 338 |
| Percent of all eligible | 58.8% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $611 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 63.8% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 43 | 15.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 12 | 44.4% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 30 | 12.8% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $563 | NA | $390 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $368 | NA | $294 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 75% | 71% | 87% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $99 | $110 | $92 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.4% | 2.4% | 1.5% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.7% | 3.8% | 0.0% |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 1.0% | 2.4% | 1.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.3% | 3.8% | 5.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.7% | 7.7% | 11.1% |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 5.3% | 3.6% | 5.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | NS | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 0.0 | 4.0 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 38.5 | 37.0 | 34.7 |
| African-American | 32.3 | 0.0 | 54.1 |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 51.3 | 30.3 | 60.2 |
| Native American | 105.3 | 157.9 | 0.0 |
| White | 35.0 | 36.8 | 30.8 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 76% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 62.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 26.0 | 25.0 | 23.9 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,646 | $4,194 | $4,388 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 1% | 1% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 57% | 54% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 48% | 59% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 33.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.5 | 1.1 |
| African-American | 12.7 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 2.7 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 8.8 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.3 | 1.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 485 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 75.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 53 | 3 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Amador County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 9 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 12 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 14 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 19 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 40 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 33 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 5 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 5 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 4 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 40 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 10 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 14 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 9 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 8 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 9 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 12 / 57 |
| Average class size | 17 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 58 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 17 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 10 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 7 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 13 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 49 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Butte County

## County Highlights

Butte County has one of the highest rates of poverty (over 30%) in the state for young children under age five. Butte County families in need of child support also experience a below average collection per cases with orders established and the county ranks near the bottom in its ability to establish orders as a percent of total child support cases. Butte has a high incidence of child abuse reports and children in foster care. Butte County ranks well compared to other counties in its rate of low birthweight infants.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 201,303 | 49,549 | 15,325 | 100% |
| African-American | 2,655 | 889 | 299 | 2% |
| Asian | 7,789 | 3,339 | 1,318 | 9% |
| Latino | 17,272 | 6,355 | 2,325 | 15% |
| Native American | 3,288 | 880 | 251 | 2% |
| White | 170,299 | 38,086 | 11,132 | 73% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 2,253

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 26.7% | 30.1% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 25.1% | 28.8% |
| African-American | 52.3% | 67.6% |
| Asian | 80.3% | 59.9% |
| Latino | 17.5% | 20.5% |
| Native American | 26.7% | 34.3% |
| White | 20.8% | 25.7% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 4,760 |
| Percent of all eligible | 64.0% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $554 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 57.8% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 645 | 28.6% |
| African-American | 16 | 41.0% |
| Asian | 112 | 59.3% |
| Latino | 202 | 54.2% |
| Native American | 23 | 44.2% |
| White | 292 | 18.3% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $719 | NA | $467 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $325 | NA | $314 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 7% | NA | 8% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 42% | 51% | 54% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $84 | $79 | $75 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4% | 4.8% | 5.8% |
| African American | 9.8% | 11.4% | 12.8% |
| Asian | 5.1% | 7.8% | 6.3% |
| Latino | 8.9% | 7.4% | 8.8% |
| Native American | 15.2% | 15.9% | 11.5% |
| White | 4.3% | 3.4% | 4.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.2% | 4.9% | 4.6% |
| African American | 9.8% | 11.4% | 10.3% |
| Asian | 4.0% | 6.9% | 4.2% |
| Latino | 3.8% | 5.4% | 5.6% |
| Native American | 4.3% | 6.8% | 5.8% |
| White | 5.5% | 4.3% | 4.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10.3 | 6.9 | 6.7 |
| African American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 25.6 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.3 |
| Latino | 5.4 | 2.5 | 5.4 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 13.0 | 9.1 | 6.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 64.2 | 62.4 | 51.7 |
| African American | 98.0 | 105.8 | 73.4 |
| Asian | 160.8 | 162.7 | 144.5 |
| Latino | 107.7 | 104.5 | 89.0 |
| Native American | 92.4 | 84.0 | 93.0 |
| White | 52.1 | 49.5 | 39.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 59% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 40.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.5 | 26.5 | 26.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,033 | $4,439 | $4,857 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 10% | 10% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 45% | 47% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 38% | 45% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.9 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 18.1 | 18.2 |
| African-American | 80.0 | 74.8 |
| Asian | 4.1 | 1.6 |
| Latino | 12.3 | 13.3 |
| Native American | 68.4 | 54.7 |
| White | 17.6 | 18.8 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 8,546 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 174.4 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3 | 0 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 346 | 50 |
| Deaths | 6 | 1 |

## Butte County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 43 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 49 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 49 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 52 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 28 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 23 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 29 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 13 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 8 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 5 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 41 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 31 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 30 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 8 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 35 / 37 |
| Teen births | 34 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 32*/ 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 47 / 57 |
| Average class size | 32 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 45 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 50 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 54 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 23 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 54 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 47 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 53 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 26 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 26 / 44 |

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The children of

# Calaveras County

## County Highlights

Calaveras County ranks particularly well in births to mothers at least a high school degree and has one of the lower teen birth rates in California. Calaveras County also has the benefit of low infant child care costs, although it ranks below average in the percent of slots in child care centers designated for infants. Calaveras County has a relatively high incidence of child abuse reports and motor vehicle injuries or deaths to children.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 39,194 | 8,935 | 2,414 | 100% |
| African-American | 201 | 43 | 12 | <1% |
| Asian | 225 | 81 | 31 | 1% |
| Latino | 2531 | 794 | 245 | 10% |
| Native American | 732 | 189 | 54 | 2% |
| White | 35,505 | 7,828 | 2,072 | 86% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 327 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 17.1% | 19.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 14.0% | 17.1% |
| African-American | 11.6% | 8.3% |
| Asian | 3.7% | 9.7% |
| Latino | 6.7% | 6.9% |
| Native American | 10.6% | 13.0% |
| White | 14.9% | 18.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 351 |
| Percent of all eligible | 42.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $561 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 58.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 54 | 16.5% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 14 | 40.0% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 35 | 12.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $537 | NA | $360 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $368 | NA | $325 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 55% | 62% | 74% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $70 | $77 | $79 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.5% | 1.9% | 3.4% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.6% | 3.0% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 10.0% | NS |
| White | 4.7% | 1.1% | 3.2% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.3% | 5.3% | 4.6% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 7.1% | 3.0% | 2.9% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 10.0% | NS |
| White | 7.7% | 5.2% | 4.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 13.1 | 3.1 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 14.8 | 3.7 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 41.7 | 37.1 | 28.2 |
| African-American | 142.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 100.0 | 200.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 51.5 | 69.3 | 42.4 |
| Native American | 81.1 | 131.6 | 25.6 |
| White | 38.3 | 29.9 | 27.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 59% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 100.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 25.3 | 23.7 | 26.0 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,784 | $4,215 | $5,253 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 1% | 1% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 51% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 38% | 51% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 28.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 5.9 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.9 | 8.9 |
| African-American | 133.3 | 166.7 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.6 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 16.1 | 0.0 |
| White | 8.3 | 9.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,255 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 144.8 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 1 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 115 | 10 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## Calaveras County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 18 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 16 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 29 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 27 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 56 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 24 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 8 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 3 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 11 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 31 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 29 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 35 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 17 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 28 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 6 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 32 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 1 / 57 |
| Average class size | 18 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 48 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 35 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 11 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 6 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 35 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 23 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 44 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 53 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Colusa County

## County Highlights

Colusa County has a lower percentage of poor young children compared to other counties. Colusa has among the lowest preschool child care and housing costs in the state. Additionally, its average class size compares favorably to many other counties. Colusa County ranks below average in the percent of pregnant women receiving prenatal care services.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 19,289 | 5,755 | 1,991 | 100% |
| African-American | 82 | 12 | 5 | <1% |
| Asian | 359 | 80 | 26 | 1% |
| Latino | 7,933 | 3,099 | 1,229 | 62% |
| Native American | 328 | 80 | 24 | 1% |
| White | 10,587 | 2,484 | 707 | 36% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 307 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 21.3% | 27.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.3% | 11.9% |
| African-American | 83.3% | NS |
| Asian | 10.0% | 7.7% |
| Latino | 8.7% | 11.6% |
| Native American | 18.8% | 25.0% |
| White | 9.4% | 11.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 812 |
| Percent of all eligible | 70.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 158 | 51.5 |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 137 | 69.2% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 20 | 20.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $277 | NA | $294 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 11% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 58% | 56% | 79% |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $89 | $90 | $74 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.9% | 8.3% | 4.9% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 9.4% | 11.1% | 5.6% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 5.6% | 2.3% | 4.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.5% | 3.3% | 4.6% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 5.6% | 4.3% | 4.5% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 11.1% | 1.1% | 4.0% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.3 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 5.6 | 4.8 | 10.1 |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 7.9 | 11.4 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 70.9 | 54.4 | 52.3 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 66.7 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 99.1 | 84.3 | 76.3 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 47.6 | 52.6 |
| White | 50.9 | 25.3 | 30.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 38% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 100.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 21.6 | 20.7 | 20.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,245 | $4,782 | $4,930 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 31% | 36% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 39% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 32% | 48% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 13.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.2 | 3.6 |
| African American | 230.8 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.1 | 2.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.8 | 2.8 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 415 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 74.9 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 43 | 9 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Colusa County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 30 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 36 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 17 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 17 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 15 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 55 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month – infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month – preschool | 3 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 22 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 27 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 25 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 43 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 32 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 43 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 1 / 57 |
| Average class size | 6 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 25 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 15 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 18 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 15 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 20 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 32 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Contra Costa County

## County Highlights

Contra Costa County has one of the larger populations of children in California. Its poverty rate among young children and children under eighteen is well below the state average. Additionally, Contra Costa ranks well compared to other counties in the percent of mothers with at least a high school degree. Contra Costa is one of the more expensive places to raise children, with relatively high infant and preschool child care costs, as well as high housing costs. The county has lower than average per pupil expenditures and larger than average class sizes.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 911,540 | 234,329 | 77,056 | 100% |
| African-American | 84,847 | 26,817 | 8,930 | 12% |
| Asian | 109,057 | 31,481 | 10,253 | 13% |
| Latino | 122,544 | 44,555 | 17,115 | 22% |
| Native American | 4,897 | 968 | 231 | <1% |
| White | 590,195 | 130,508 | 40,527 | 53% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | 12,294 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 12.3% | 15.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 10.5% | 12.2% |
| African-American | 36.9% | 43.7% |
| Asian | 8.1% | 7.0% |
| Latino | 9.6% | 10.9% |
| Native American | 6.3% | 5.6% |
| White | 5.9% | 7.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 11,677 |
| Percent of all eligible | 68.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $812 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 84.7% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 1,920 | 15.6% |
| African-American | 221 | 16.5% |
| Asian | 94 | 6.6% |
| Latino | 1,191 | 40.6% |
| Native American | 11 | 22.0% |
| White | 400 | 6.4% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $689 | NA | $749 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $481 | NA | $553 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 54% | 64% | 63% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $66 | $73 | $92 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.9% | 3.3% | 2.8% |
| African-American | 4.5% | 5.0% | 4.0% |
| Asian | 3.6% | 3.8% | 3.6% |
| Latino | 6.1% | 5.1% | 4.0% |
| Native American | 5.9% | 5.3% | 6.0% |
| White | 2.9% | 2.1% | 1.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0% | 6.3% | 6.3% |
| African-American | 11.8% | 12.4% | 11.3% |
| Asian | 7.5% | 6.7% | 6.4% |
| Latino | 5.0% | 4.9% | 5.1% |
| Native American | 2.9% | 2.6% | 6.0% |
| White | 4.8% | 5.6% | 5.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0 | 5.5 | 5.1 |
| African-American | 20.2 | 13.1 | 10.5 |
| Asian | 4.2 | 4.1 | 5.6 |
| Latino | 5.1 | 4.9 | 6.8 |
| Native American | 29.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.7 | 4.5 | 3.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 40.1 | 39.2 | 36.7 |
| African-American | 85.2 | 76.0 | 74.7 |
| Asian | 20.7 | 18.1 | 18.8 |
| Latino | 88.5 | 91.7 | 85.0 |
| Native American | 47.0 | 39.0 | 80.0 |
| White | 22.4 | 21.4 | 17.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 63% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 52.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.6 | 27.9 | 27.5 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,193 | $4,522 | $4,932 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 10% | 11% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 57% | 62% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 52% | 60% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 4.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.4 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.6 | 7.9 |
| African-American | 44.1 | 33.0 |
| Asian | 1.0 | 0.5 |
| Latino | 4.6 | 3.1 |
| Native American | 20.4 | 20.8 |
| White | 6.1 | 6.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 20,382 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 89.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 19 | 0 |
| Deaths | 4 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,049 | 134 |
| Deaths | 7 | 2 |

## Contra Costa County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 6 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 7 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 19 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 18 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 19 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 50 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 7 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 35 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 47 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 20 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 33 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 33 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 18 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 35 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 14 / 37 |
| Teen births | 12 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 21 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 21 / 57 |
| Average class size | 53 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 37 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 15 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 15 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 45 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 19 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 39 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 28 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 23 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 5 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 4 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Del Norte County

## County Highlights

Del Norte County has a higher percentage of young children and children under eighteen living in poverty. Del Norte has a fairly high incidence of child abuse reports and a high rate of children in foster care. Del Norte County ranks above average in child support collections per cases with orders and has the lowest child care costs in the state.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 29,390 | 7,174 | 2,102 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,004 | 29 | 8 | <1% |
| Asian | 655 | 319 | 103 | 5% |
| Latino | 3,426 | 981 | 312 | 15% |
| Native American | 1,640 | 616 | 193 | 9% |
| White | 22,665 | 5,229 | 1,486 | 71% |

| | |
|---|---|
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 324 |

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 26.7% | 27.7% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 27.8% | 32.9% |
| African-American | 31.0% | 12.5% |
| Asian | 100.0% | 92.2% |
| Latino | 10.2% | 14.1% |
| Native American | 28.1% | 29.5% |
| White | 26.6% | 33.2% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 871 |
| Percent of all eligible | 80.4% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $561 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 58.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 108 | 33.3% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 7 | 50.0% |
| Latino | 30 | 63.8% |
| Native American | 13 | 41.9% |
| White | 57 | 24.9% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | NA | NA | $225 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 70% | 47% | 32% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $69 | $87 | $135 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.8% | 3.3% | 3.4% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 29.4% | 6.3% | 21.4% |
| Latino | 6.8% | 4.9% | 2.1% |
| Native American | 14.8% | 0.0% | 3.2% |
| White | 4.1% | 3.3% | 2.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.5% | 4.5% | 7.4% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 6.3% | 14.3% |
| Latino | 4.5% | 0.0% | 8.5% |
| Native American | 14.8% | 3.2% | 12.9% |
| White | 3.6% | 5.3% | 5.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 16.1 | 3.0 | 15.4 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 58.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 22.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 37.0 | 0.0 | 32.3 |
| White | 9.1 | 4.1 | 17.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 69.2 | 57.2 | 61.3 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 130.4 | 43.5 | 66.7 |
| Latino | 89.9 | 51.0 | 37.7 |
| Native American | 97.6 | 87.5 | 123.6 |
| White | 62.0 | 55.6 | 56.4 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 69% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 39.7% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.8 | 26.2 | 26.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,480 | $4,782 | $5,660 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 6% | 5% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 50% | 38% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 43% | 46% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 8.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 14.8 | 12.1 |
| African-American | 142.9 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 29.0 | 28.3 |
| Latino | 6.3 | 13.6 |
| Native American | 19.1 | 0.0 |
| White | 14.2 | 12.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,135 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 161.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 72 | 9 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Del Norte County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 43 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 40 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 56 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 58 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 6 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 24 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 35 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 1 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 42 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 19 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 25 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 23 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 37 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 16 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 49 / 57 |
| Average class size | 34 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 13 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 56 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 48 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 27 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 52 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 42 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 50 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | NR / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# El Dorado County

## County Highlights

El Dorado County ranks well in many child well-being indicators, including the percent of children living in poverty and the percent of all child support cases with an order to pay. The county also has a low rate of teen births and a higher than average percentage of new mothers with at least a high school degree. El Dorado has a high incidence of low birthweight infants compared to other counties across California.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 151,737 | 38,249 | 11,085 | 100% |
| African-American | 706 | 187 | 42 | <1% |
| Asian | 3,422 | 996 | 387 | 3% |
| Latino | 12,536 | 4,820 | 1,908 | 17% |
| Native American | 1,494 | 372 | 100 | 1% |
| White | 133,579 | 31,874 | 8,648 | 78% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 1,666 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 11.6% | 13.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 8.7% |
| African-American | 10.7% | 11.9% |
| Asian | 1.3% | 1.6% |
| Latino | 6.2% | 7.4% |
| Native American | 4.3% | 10.0% |
| White | 7.0% | 9.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,462 |
| Percent of all eligible | 48.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $648 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 67.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 264 | 15.8% |
| African-American | 2 | 20.0% |
| Asian | 9 | 16.7% |
| Latino | 163 | 49.5% |
| Native American | 2 | 14.3% |
| White | 87 | 7.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $516 | NA | $440 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $390 | NA | $407 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 6% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 78% | 85% | 87% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $82 | $88 | $94 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.0% | 2.7% | 3.2% |
| African American | NS | NS | 20.0% |
| Asian | 1.6% | 3.4% | 5.6% |
| Latino | 5.4% | 6.6% | 5.5% |
| Native American | 7.1% | 25.0% | 7.1% |
| White | 2.4% | 1.4% | 2.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 6.4% | 6.6% |
| African American | NS | NS | 20.0% |
| Asian | 12.7% | 3.4% | 5.6% |
| Latino | 5.4% | 9.3% | 8.8% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 8.3% | 7.1% |
| White | 5.3% | 5.7% | 5.8% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.5 | 6.0 | 1.8 |
| African American | NS | NS | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 9.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.4 | 5.6 | 2.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 35.8 | 29.1 | 29.0 |
| African American | 0.0 | 38.5 | 43.5 |
| Asian | 21.1 | 0.0 | 9.6 |
| Latino | 117.2 | 94.7 | 101.5 |
| Native American | 68.5 | 68.5 | 39.5 |
| White | 27.9 | 22.4 | 21.8 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 61% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 78.4% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.1 | 27.0 | 26.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,120 | $4,528 | $4,742 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 5% | 4% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 62% | 67% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 55% | 64% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 6.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.2 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.6 | 7.5 |
| African-American | 94.7 | 181.8 |
| Asian | 9.5 | 15.8 |
| Latino | 4.3 | 3.7 |
| Native American | 39.2 | 74.5 |
| White | 7.1 | 6.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 2,686 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 71.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 313 | 21 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## El Dorado County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 5 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 4 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 6 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 8 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 54 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 35 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 6 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 8 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 30 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 9 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 5 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 21 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 9 / 46 |
| Low birthweight infants | 36 / 46 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 46 |
| Teen births | 4 / 46 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 28 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 7 / 57 |
| Average class size | 49 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 42 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 6 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 6 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 35 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 34 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 26 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 21 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 18 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 39 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Fresno County

## County Highlights

With a young poverty child rate of 42% and a child poverty rate of 36%, Fresno ranks near to last and next to last respectively in one of the more critical determinants of child well-being. Fresno also ranks next to last (36th of 37 ranked counties) in infant mortality and has a high incidence of low birthweight infants, teen mothers, mothers with less than twelve years education and foster care children. In recent years, Fresno has improved its rate of prenatal care services to pregnant women and now ranks 19th among 49 ranked counties in California.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 789,319 | 257,270 | 91,066 | 100% |
| African-American | 37,946 | 14,462 | 5,309 | 6% |
| Asian | 80,665 | 35,477 | 11,761 | 13% |
| Latino | 304,895 | 121,515 | 47,301 | 52% |
| Native American | 6,858 | 2,025 | 695 | 1% |
| White | 358,955 | 83,791 | 26,000 | 29% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 14,116

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 36.3% | 42.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 27.4% | 29.3% |
| African-American | 53.2% | 60.3% |
| Asian | 55.5% | 47.1% |
| Latino | 27.9% | 30.5% |
| Native American | 11.1% | 10.4% |
| White | 10.7% | 13.3% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 18,505 |
| Percent of all eligible | 36.7% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $533 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 55.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6,196 | 43.9% |
| African-American | 261 | 33.0% |
| Asian | 756 | 52.7% |
| Latino | 4,593 | 57.5% |
| Native American | 41 | 45.1% |
| White | 544 | 14.3% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $546 | NA | $543 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $407 | NA | $407 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 6% | NA | 5% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 71% | 78% | 83% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $73 | $75 | $78 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.2% | 3.3% | 3.7% |
| African-American | 4.7% | 4.7% | 5.7% |
| Asian | 1.1% | 1.7% | 2.3% |
| Latino | 3.8% | 4.0% | 4.2% |
| Native American | 3.9% | 6.6% | 2.2% |
| White | 2.7% | 2.1% | 2.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.6% |
| African-American | 13.5% | 12.2% | 12.0% |
| Asian | 5.9% | 6.4% | 5.9% |
| Latino | 6.4% | 6.3% | 6.5% |
| Native American | 5.9% | 6.6% | 3.3% |
| White | 6.2% | 5.8% | 6.1% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.3 | 7.9 | 8.4 |
| African-American | 15.8 | 20.7 | 17.7 |
| Asian | 7.5 | 5.3 | 3.5 |
| Latino | 6.6 | 6.8 | 8.9 |
| Native American | 9.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 10.2 | 8.8 | 7.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 94.7 | 85.7 | 83.9 |
| African-American | 127.3 | 128.6 | 108.0 |
| Asian | 83.4 | 72.0 | 61.5 |
| Latino | 141.7 | 125.2 | 128.4 |
| Native American | 79.4 | 91.5 | 64.6 |
| White | 40.6 | 38.6 | 37.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 37% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 32.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.9 | 26.1 | 26.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,263 | $4,612 | $4,936 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 27% | 27% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 42% | 45% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 46% | 53% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.6 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 12.0 | 11.1 |
| African-American | 54.2 | 47.0 |
| Asian | 1.2 | 1.2 |
| Latino | 10.5 | 9.2 |
| Native American | 21.5 | 20.6 |
| White | 11.2 | 11.6 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 26,547 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 105.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 40 | 2 |
| Deaths | 11 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,591 | 279 |
| Deaths | 17 | 3 |

## Fresno County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 57 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 56 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 54 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 51 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 58 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 20 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 51 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 20 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 31 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 15 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 13 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 36 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 19 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 45 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 36 / 37 |
| Teen births | 49 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 44 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 56 / 57 |
| Average class size | 31 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 28 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 46 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 29 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 52 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 47 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 46 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 41 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 31 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 24 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 41 / 44 |

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The children of

# Glenn County

## County Highlights

Glenn County has the lowest rate of low birthweight births among 49 ranked counties. School children experience smaller class sizes than their counterparts in many other counties. Glenn County's young child poverty rate is nearly 30% and, compared to other counties, Glenn County experiences a high incidence of births to mothers with less than a high school degree.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 27,607 | 8,315 | 2,742 | 100% |
| African-American | 137 | 25 | 7 | <1% |
| Asian | 1,262 | 679 | 241 | 9% |
| Latino | 6,807 | 2,808 | 1,062 | 39% |
| Native American | 490 | 146 | 40 | 1% |
| White | 18,911 | 4,657 | 1,392 | 51% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 427 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 26.0% | 29.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 18.8% | 20.6% |
| African-American | 28.0% | 42.9% |
| Asian | 70.7% | 51.0% |
| Latino | 10.9% | 13.7% |
| Native American | 46.6% | 65.0% |
| White | 15.1% | 19.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,152 |
| Percent of all eligible | 78.2% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 178 | 41.7% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 18 | 69.2% |
| Latino | 108 | 59.3% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 50 | 23.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | NA | NA | $350 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 70% | 63% | 62% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $66 | $84 | $90 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.2% | 5.2% | 3.3% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 8.1% | 3.0% | 3.8% |
| Latino | 10.7% | 7.7% | 4.4% |
| Native American | 22.2% | NS | NS |
| White | 4.3% | 3.7% | 2.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.1% | 3.6% | 4.7% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 10.8% | 3.0% | 3.8% |
| Latino | 1.9% | 2.7% | 4.9% |
| Native American | 0.0% | NS | NS |
| White | 4.3% | 4.6% | 4.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.3 | 2.3 | 7.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | NS | NS |
| White | 4.3 | 4.6 | 4.7 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 62.3 | 56.6 | 57.1 |
| African American | NS | 142.9 | NS |
| Asian | 64.5 | 46.2 | 43.5 |
| Latino | 104.0 | 104.2 | 83.9 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 83.3 | 0.0 |
| White | 48.5 | 38.8 | 47.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 49% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 67.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 24.2 | 22.7 | 22.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,266 | $4,702 | $5,007 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 18% | 18% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 45% | 42% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 46% | 54% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 14.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.4 | 13.3 |
| African-American | 41.7 | 200.0 |
| Asian | 4.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.8 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 26.7 | 0.0 |
| White | 19.5 | 24.7 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,042 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 128.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 68 | 10 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## Glenn County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 42 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 45 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 36 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 31 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 10 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1/ 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 49 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 18 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 26 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 30 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 29 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 1 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 30 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 38 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 10 / 57 |
| Average class size | 9 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 24 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 51 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 14 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 24 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 42 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 43 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 29 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 36 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Humboldt County

## County Highlights

Humboldt County has a higher than average percentage of children living in poverty. Expectant mothers are somewhat less likely to receive prenatal care services compared to those in other counties. Humboldt families experiences relatively few low birthweight infants compared to families in other counties. Humboldt's average child support collection of $135 per cases with orders is well above the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 126,862 | 31,500 | 9,417 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,105 | 301 | 87 | 1% |
| Asian | 3,349 | 1,279 | 373 | 4% |
| Latino | 6,543 | 2,297 | 786 | 8% |
| Native American | 7,136 | 2,495 | 825 | 9% |
| White | 108,729 | 25,128 | 7,346 | 78% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 1,478 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.2% | 27.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 19.5% | 22.7% |
| African-American | 48.8% | 87.4% |
| Asian | 37.8% | 34.3% |
| Latino | 11.1% | 14.2% |
| Native American | 32.0% | 34.1% |
| White | 17.7% | 21.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2,497 |
| Percent of all eligible | 56.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $564 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 58.9% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 264 | 17.9% |
| African-American | 3 | 18.8% |
| Asian | 12 | 30.0% |
| Latino | 65 | 49.2% |
| Native American | 38 | 29.7% |
| White | 146 | 12.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $481 | NA | $456 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $347 | NA | $372 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 76% | 77% | 79% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $130 | $146 | $129 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.2% | 5.2% | 4.8% |
| African-American | 7.7% | 9.1% | 18.8% |
| Asian | 6.6% | 7.4% | 2.5% |
| Latino | 4.2% | 4.7% | 6.1% |
| Native American | 14.8% | 8.8% | 9.4% |
| White | 6.7% | 4.7% | 3.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9% | 5.0% | 4.0% |
| African-American | 7.7% | 9.1% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 0.0% | 7.4% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 9.3% | 4.7% | 5.3% |
| Native American | 2.8% | 2.2% | 2.3% |
| White | 4.9% | 5.2% | 4.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.9 | 4.7 | 4.1 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 90.9 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 8.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 14.1 | 7.4 | 7.8 |
| White | 8.9 | 4.3 | 4.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 53.2 | 45.2 | 40.9 |
| African-American | 66.7 | 43.5 | 47.6 |
| Asian | 44.8 | 47.9 | 5.8 |
| Latino | 80.0 | 98.5 | 65.7 |
| Native American | 96.2 | 84.0 | 69.9 |
| White | 46.6 | 36.7 | 37.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 77% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 45.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 25.0 | 24.3 | 23.9 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,298 | $4,745 | $5,108 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 3% | 3% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 54% | 55% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 42% | 50% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 10.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 4.4 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.8 | 8.9 |
| African-American | 16.4 | 35.7 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 2.7 | 1.3 |
| Native American | 25.7 | 23.7 |
| White | 9.3 | 8.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 7,043 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 221.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2 | 0 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 205 | 18 |
| Deaths | 3 | 2 |

## Humboldt County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 36 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 37 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 37 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 38 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 45 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 27 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 14 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 10 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 23 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 24 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 11 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 4 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 37 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 4 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 18 / 37 |
| Teen births | 17 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 6 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 33 / 57 |
| Average class size | 15 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 20 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 25 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 37 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 19 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 10 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 41 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 38 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 52 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 43 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 39 / 44 |

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The children of

# Imperial County

## County Highlights

Nearly half (49.5%) of children under five and over a third of children under eighteen live in families under the poverty level in Imperial County, one of the fastest growing counties in California. Imperial has a higher than average percentage of mothers who do not receive prenatal care services. Imperial ranks extremely well compared to other California counties in its infant mortality and low birthweight infant rates. Imperial has one of the lowest child care costs of any county in California.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 146,409 | 47,320 | 16,513 | 100% |
| African-American | 5,358 | 692 | 216 | 1% |
| Asian | 2,280 | 522 | 152 | 1% |
| Latino | 104,437 | 38,966 | 14,261 | 86% |
| Native American | 1,404 | 352 | 16 | <1% |
| White | 32,930 | 6,788 | 1,868 | 11% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | | 2,381 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 33.4% | 49.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 24.2% | 24.7% |
| African-American | 39.6% | 44.9% |
| Asian | 7.9% | 12.5% |
| Latino | 25.7% | 25.1% |
| Native American | 39.5% | 275.0% |
| White | 14.2% | 18.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 5,034 |
| Percent of all eligible | 61.3% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $523 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 54.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 810 | 34.0% |
| African-American | 9 | 33.3% |
| Asian | 6 | 18.2% |
| Latino | 757 | 37.1% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 37 | 13.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $377 | NA | $360 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $321 | NA | $324 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 8% | NA | 6% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 73% | 81% | 82% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $82 | $118 | $110 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.9% | 8.4% | 7.9% |
| African-American | 8.7% | 7.9% | 7.4% |
| Asian | 4.3% | 5.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 8.0% | 8.8% | 8.3% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 7.5% | 5.9% | 4.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0% | 4.4% | 4.8% |
| African-American | 8.7% | 2.6% | 11.1% |
| Asian | 13.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 4.9% | 4.6% | 4.8% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 4.8% | 3.1% | 5.1% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9 | 4.4 | 2.5 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 4.9 | 4.7 | 2.9 |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 6.0 | 3.1 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 63.5 | 63.4 | 60.5 |
| African-American | 85.1 | 80.0 | 68.0 |
| Asian | 15.6 | 29.4 | 12.8 |
| Latino | 71.2 | 70.9 | 65.2 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 30.1 | 31.2 | 40.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 18% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 38.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.3 | 26.1 | 25.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,213 | $4,498 | $4,835 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 48% | 46% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 36% | 47% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 42% | 52% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 8.4 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.4 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6 | 4.1 |
| African-American | 32.5 | 52.4 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.9 | 2.8 |
| Native American | 53.4 | 250.0 |
| White | 10.1 | 7.9 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 2,812 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 60.9 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3 | 1 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 233 | 37 |
| Deaths | 8 | 1 |

## Imperial County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 53 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 58 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 48 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 40 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 34 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 17 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 40 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 3 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 10 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 10 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 9 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 10 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 46 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 6 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 2 / 37 |
| Teen births | 38 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 58 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 51 / 57 |
| Average class size | 26 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 41 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 25 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 49 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 18 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 10 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 8 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 15 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 27 / 44 |

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The children of

# Inyo County

## County Highlights

Inyo County's school children experience one of the smallest average class sizes in California. Inyo's per pupil expenditure is one of the highest in the state. Inyo ranks below the state average in the percentage of mothers who receive prenatal care services and in the percentage of low birthweight infants. Inyo has few spaces available for infants in licensed child care centers compared to other counties in the state.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 18,295 | 4,372 | 1,328 | 100% |
| African-American | 76 | 15 | 3 | <1% |
| Asian | 206 | 61 | 27 | 2% |
| Latino | 1,941 | 794 | 341 | 26% |
| Native American | 1,778 | 574 | 186 | 14% |
| White | 14,294 | 2,928 | 771 | 58% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | |
|---|---|
| | 190 |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 18.9% | 23.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.6% | 19.1% |
| African-American | 6.7% | NS |
| Asian | 8.2% | 7.4% |
| Latino | 12.1% | 16.4% |
| Native American | 25.1% | 31.2% |
| White | 12.0% | 17.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 514 |
| Percent of all eligible | 71.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $540 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 56.3% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 53 | 27.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 34 | 85.0% |
| Native American | 4 | 13.8% |
| White | 14 | 11.9% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $624 | NA | n/a |
| Cost/month – pre-school | $386 | NA | $405 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 81% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $89 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 9.5% | 9.0% | 5.8% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 10.5% | 5.9% | 7.5% |
| Native American | 18.2% | 20.0% | 13.8% |
| White | 8.0% | 7.4% | 3.4% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6% | 7.7% | 5.8% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.9% | 2.0% | 0.0% |
| Native American | 9.1% | 20.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 7.2% | 7.4% | 8.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.1 | 9.0 | 10.5 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 19.6 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 33.3 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.2 | 0.0 | 16.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 49.5 | 57.9 | 52.4 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 93.3 | 142.9 | 94.1 |
| Native American | 42.6 | 68.2 | 75.0 |
| White | 45.4 | 43.8 | 39.7 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 63% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 54.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 22.8 | 20.7 | 19.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $5,423 | $5,654 | $6,097 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 6% | 6% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 50% | 54% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 47% | 60% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 51.6 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.3 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0 | 3.0 |
| African-American | 66.7 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 1.3 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 13.8 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.0 | 3.8 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 498 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 112.9 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 36 | 3 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## Inyo County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 23 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 29 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 26 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 29 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 14 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 22 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 30 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 29 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 47 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 47 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 24 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 21 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 19 / 57 |
| Average class size | 5 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 4 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 15 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 5 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 50 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 8 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 36 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 46 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Kern County

## County Highlights

Over one third of young children under age five live in families with incomes below the poverty level in Kern County, one of the fastest growing counties in the California. Kern has a relatively high incidence of teens giving birth. Although Kern ranks below the state average in its rate of expectant mothers accessing prenatal care and its infant mortality rate, it has improved in both areas in recent years. Kern is able to secure child support orders for families who need them at a rate higher than the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 648,157 | 207,346 | 72,688 | 100% |
| African-American | 38,115 | 12,840 | 4,527 | 6% |
| Asian | 20,774 | 6,332 | 2,329 | 3% |
| Latino | 207,133 | 87,923 | 35,397 | 49% |
| Native American | 6,808 | 1,558 | 452 | 1% |
| White | 375,327 | 98,693 | 29,983 | 41% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 11,271

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 27.8% | 33.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 21.2% | 24.9% |
| African-American | 50.5% | 59.6% |
| Asian | 13.2% | 10.4% |
| Latino | 24.6% | 26.3% |
| Native American | 11.4% | 11.9% |
| White | 15.0% | 19.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 43,781 |
| Percent of all eligible | 116.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $499 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 52.1% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3,847 | 34.1% |
| African-American | 126 | 18.6% |
| Asian | 64 | 18.0% |
| Latino | 2,990 | 51.8% |
| Native American | 12 | 16.2% |
| White | 652 | 15.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $585 | NA | $461 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $425 | NA | $333 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 5% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 66% | 78% | 84% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $57 | $79 | $71 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.0% | 5.1% | 4.3% |
| African-American | 6.4% | 5.0% | 5.5% |
| Asian | 6.0% | 5.0% | 2.8% |
| Latino | 8.1% | 6.2% | 4.9% |
| Native American | 4.8% | 0.0% | 9.5% |
| White | 6.0% | 3.8% | 3.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6% | 6.6% | 6.0% |
| African-American | 12.3% | 13.8% | 12.0% |
| Asian | 6.0% | 7.3% | 7.6% |
| Latino | 6.0% | 6.1% | 5.4% |
| Native American | 9.5% | 11.7% | 4.1% |
| White | 6.5% | 6.0% | 5.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10.9 | 9.8 | 6.7 |
| African-American | 21.2 | 13.2 | 8.9 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 5.2 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 12.5 | 9.1 | 6.6 |
| Native American | 11.9 | 16.7 | 0.0 |
| White | 8.3 | 10.5 | 7.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 97.6 | 85.8 | 81.5 |
| African-American | 124.7 | 112.0 | 114.3 |
| Asian | 31.6 | 33.2 | 31.0 |
| Latino | 165.1 | 145.6 | 134.6 |
| Native American | 80.7 | 40.2 | 84.1 |
| White | 56.1 | 49.1 | 46.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 28% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 35.6% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.0 | 26.1% | 25.8% |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,212 | $4,598 | $4,914 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 18% | 19% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 37% | 44% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 40% | 50% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.7 | 8.7 |
| African-American | 28.7 | 21.1 |
| Asian | 0.5 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 7.1 | 5.4 |
| Native American | 6.5 | 9.3 |
| White | 10.2 | 11.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 13,491 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 67.4 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 29 | 0 |
| Deaths | 8 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,186 | 198 |
| Deaths | 14 | 2 |

## Kern County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 49 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 52 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 43 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 42 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 3 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 13 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 43 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 12 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 15 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 18 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 15 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 44 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 33 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 41 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 37 / 37 |
| Teen births | 50 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 53 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 54 / 57 |
| Average class size | 28 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 35 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 48 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 37 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 40 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 35 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 36 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 25 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 7 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 23 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 29 / 44 |

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The children of

# Kings County

## County Highlights

Kings County has a high percentage of children living in families with incomes below the poverty level. Kings County third graders rank below the state average in reading and math proficiency. Kings County has a relatively high incidence of teens giving births. Kings County has one of the lower child care costs in the state and is able to secure child support orders for families who need them at a higher rate than the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 119,847 | 37,537 | 13,444 | 100% |
| African-American | 9,403 | 2,128 | 705 | 5% |
| Asian | 4,637 | 1,632 | 594 | 4% |
| Latino | 44,978 | 17,147 | 6,749 | 50% |
| Native American | 1,036 | 328 | 109 | 1% |
| White | 59,793 | 16,302 | 5,287 | 39% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 2,084

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 28.6% | 30.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16.6% | 19.2% |
| African-American | 34.6% | 43.3% |
| Asian | 15.0% | 13.3% |
| Latino | 21.6% | 24.0% |
| Native American | 11.9% | 11.0% |
| White | 9.3% | 10.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 3,088 |
| Percent of all eligible | 49.6% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $506 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 52.8% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 765 | 36.7% |
| African-American | 25 | 21.0% |
| Asian | 18 | 18.6% |
| Latino | 612 | 55.6% |
| Native American | 6 | 42.9% |
| White | 102 | 13.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | $450 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $282 | NA | $297 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 1% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 74% | 77% | 81% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $72 | $82 | $89 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4% | 3.9% | 2.8% |
| African American | 7.8% | 4.5% | 2.5% |
| Asian | 5.4% | 2.2% | 4.1% |
| Latino | 6.6% | 5.0% | 3.4% |
| Native American | 12.5% | 13.0% | 14.3% |
| White | 3.5% | 2.3% | 1.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 6.3% | 5.9% |
| African American | 9.6% | 16.5% | 13.4% |
| Asian | 6.5% | 4.3% | 7.2% |
| Latino | 5.6% | 5.5% | 5.6% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 4.3% | 0.0% |
| White | 5.0% | 5.9% | 4.9% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.1 | 11.5 | 5.8 |
| African American | 26.1 | 37.6 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.8 | 11.1 | 5.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 71.4 |
| White | 7.0 | 9.6 | 6.7 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 96.5 | 91.1 | 87.1 |
| African American | 123.9 | 108.9 | 119.2 |
| Asian | 27.3 | 47.6 | 41.0 |
| Latino | 139.2 | 139.7 | 137.6 |
| Native American | 96.8 | 111.1 | 52.6 |
| White | 60.5 | 48.6 | 42.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 21% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 40.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.2 | 25.9 | 25.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,221 | $4,556 | $4,944 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 16% | 16% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 38% | 42% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 36% | 45% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 7.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.9 | 6.5 |
| African-American | 29.5 | 42.5 |
| Asian | 3.1 | 1.7 |
| Latino | 4.4 | 3.9 |
| Native American | 12.0 | 28.6 |
| White | 4.6 | 5.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 4,029 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 111.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 198 | 39 |
| Deaths | 3 | 1 |

## Kings County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 51 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 50 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 35 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 32 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 52 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 14 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 45 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 9 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 5 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 46 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 14 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 28 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 22 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 31 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 34 / 37 |
| Teen births | 51 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 57 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 46 / 57 |
| Average class size | 23 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 36 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 51 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 50 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 30 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 21 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 19 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 25 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 21 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 31 / 44 |

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The children of

# Lake County

## County Highlights

Approximately one third (30.1%) of children under age five live in families under the poverty level in Lake County. Lake ranks last of 49 ranked counties in the percentage of mothers receiving prenatal care services. Lake's families are able to secure infant spaces in licensed child care centers at a rate higher than the state average.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 56,685 | 13,532 | 3,995 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,319 | 342 | 115 | 3% |
| Asian | 478 | 126 | 44 | 1% |
| Latino | 4,679 | 1,794 | 636 | 16% |
| Native American | 1,132 | 385 | 137 | 3% |
| White | 49,077 | 10,885 | 3,063 | 77% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 565

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 29.1% | 30.1% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 28.5% | 34.6% |
| African-American | 49.1% | 57.4% |
| Asian | 53.2% | 54.5% |
| Latino | 15.9% | 18.1% |
| Native American | 29.9% | 35.8% |
| White | 29.6% | 36.8% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997—Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,365 |
| Percent of all eligible | 65.8% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $575 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 60.0% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 140 | 24.8% |
| African-American | 1 | 9.1% |
| Asian | 1 | 9.1% |
| Latino | 45 | 51.7% |
| Native American | 14 | 50.0% |
| White | 79 | 18.5% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $464 | NA | $524 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $347 | NA | $418 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 11% | NA | 6% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 51% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $83 | NR | NR |

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## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 11.0% | 8.4% | 7.1% |
| African American | 10.5% | 33.3% | 18.2% |
| Asian | 44.4% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 8.2% | 9.9% | 4.6% |
| Native American | 21.2% | 24.0% | 14.3% |
| White | 10.3% | 6.5% | 7.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.5% | 4.8% | 5.7% |
| African American | 10.5% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 4.5% | 5.0% | 4.6% |
| Native American | 15.2% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 6.3% | 5.3% | 6.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.0 | 6.9 | 10.6 |
| African American | 0.0 | 133.3 | 90.9 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 11.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.0 | 4.6 | 9.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 61.5 | 64.2 | 53.1 |
| African American | 108.7 | 122.4 | 88.9 |
| Asian | 52.6 | 52.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 109.9 | 122.3 | 83.8 |
| Native American | 150.0 | 190.5 | 162.8 |
| White | 51.7 | 51.8 | 46.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 63% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 43.8% | NA |
| Average class size | 24.6 | 23.8 | 24.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,291 | $4,778 | $5,143 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 4% | 4% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 38% | 43% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 37% | 45% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 11.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.3 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 10.6 | 8.4 |
| African-American | 57.3 | 80.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 8.6 | 3.2 |
| Native American | 34.4 | 29.2 |
| White | 8.8 | 6.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 3,059 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 229.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 160 | 15 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Lake County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 52 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 48 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 57 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 57 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 23 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 28/ 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 28 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 19 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 34 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 13 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 49 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 26 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 35 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 21 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 37 / 57 |
| Average class size | 14 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 18 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 50 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 50 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 16 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 32 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 38 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 24 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 55 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 44 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 32 / 44 |

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The children of

# Lassen County

## County Highlights

Lassen has a relatively high incidence of child abuse reports and has a high foster care rate compared to other counties in the state. Lassen's children also experience a higher than average incidence of vehicle injuries or deaths. Lassen has a better than average percentage of births to mothers with at least a high school education. Lassen is able to secure more child support orders and collect more child support per cases with orders than many other counties.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 34,477 | 7,193 | 2,064 | 100% |
| African-American | 3,207 | 74 | 25 | 1% |
| Asian | 337 | 69 | 24 | 1% |
| Latino | 5,168 | 907 | 322 | 16% |
| Native American | 876 | 257 | 77 | 4% |
| White | 24,889 | 5,886 | 1,616 | 78% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | | 328 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 17.5% | 22.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 19.6% | 27.7% |
| African-American | 31.1% | 48.0% |
| Asian | 8.7% | 8.3% |
| Latino | 13% | 16.5% |
| Native American | 43.2% | 57.1% |
| White | 19.5% | 28.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997—Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 563 |
| Percent of all eligible | 64.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $485 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 50.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 50 | 15.2% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 12 | 30.8% |
| Native American | 6 | 37.5% |
| White | 32 | 12.1% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $347 | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 74% | 72% | 55% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $93 | $97 | $118 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.7% | 3.7% | 3.4% |
| African-American | 0.0% | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 8.8% | 3.0% | 5.1% |
| Native American | 18.8% | 0.0% | 12.5% |
| White | 6.8% | 3.7% | 2.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 2.4% | 4.9% |
| African-American | 25.0% | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 2.9% | 3.0% | 7.7% |
| Native American | 12.5% | 9.1% | 12.5% |
| White | 6.4% | 2.0% | 3.8% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10.1 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| African-American | 0.0 | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 30.3 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 12.7 | 0.0 | 3.8 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 68.5 | 49.1 | 37.8 |
| African-American | 250.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 83.3 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 67.6 | 48.8 | 62.5 |
| Native American | 105.3 | 85.7 | 0.0 |
| White | 64.1 | 48.0 | 37.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 68% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 55.6% | NA |
| Average class size | 23.6 | 22.5 | 23.3 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,551 | $4,835 | $5,303 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 2% | 2% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 51% | 54% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 53% | 59% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 14.3 | 10.4 |
| African-American | 39.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 8.1 | 16.9 |
| Native American | 54.7 | 52.6 |
| White | 13.3 | 7.5 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,467 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 212.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 79 | 8 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Lassen County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 20 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 23 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 39 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 50 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 29 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 10 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 13 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | NA / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 23 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 13 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 26 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 23 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 17 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 17 / 57 |
| Average class size | 10 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 14 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 17 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 37 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 53 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 44 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 56 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 48 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 44 / 44 |

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The children of

# Los Angeles County

## County Highlights

Los Angeles has the largest population of children in California. Nearly 40% of Los Angeles' children under age five and over one third of its children under age eighteen live in families with poverty-level income. Los Angeles has a lower child abuse report rate than many other counties and one of the highest foster care rates. Los Angeles is able to provide expectant mothers with prenatal care at a rate higher than the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 9,623,420 | 2,803,645 | 1,042,044 | 100% |
| African-American | 947,900 | 277,669 | 92,937 | 9% |
| Asian | 1,181,258 | 302,330 | 102,105 | 10% |
| Latino | 4,238,395 | 1,615,545 | 652,944 | 63% |
| Native American | 27,683 | 5801 | 1794 | <1% |
| White | 3,228,184 | 602,300 | 192,264 | 18% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | 162,036 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 33.7% | 39.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 17.9% | 18.6% |
| African-American | 43.4% | 49.1% |
| Asian | 11.7% | 8.7% |
| Latino | 17.6% | 18.3% |
| Native American | 12.5% | 14.8% |
| White | 10.0% | 10.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 385,940 |
| Percent of all eligible | 80.2% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $737 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 76.9% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 63,536 | 39.2% |
| African-American | 2,666 | 18.3% |
| Asian | 1,710 | 11.0% |
| Latino | 56,677 | 56.5% |
| Native American | 75 | 24.7% |
| White | 2,392 | 7.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $550 | NA | $595 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $386 | NA | $462 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 35% | 52% | 60% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $71 | $63 | $75 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.6% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| African American | 4.0% | 3.4% | 3.8% |
| Asian | 2.3% | 2.0% | 2.2% |
| Latino | 4.1% | 3.4% | 3.3% |
| Native American | 6.5% | 3.2% | 3.9% |
| White | 2.2% | 1.7% | 1.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.4% | 6.4% | 6.5% |
| African American | 12.7% | 12.3% | 12.3% |
| Asian | 6.4% | 6.8% | 6.9% |
| Latino | 5.6% | 5.5% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 7.0% | 8.6% | 7.2% |
| White | 6.1% | 6.2% | 6.0% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| African American | 15.2 | 13.2 | 12.7 |
| Asian | 4.6 | 4.6 | 3.7 |
| Latino | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.4 |
| Native American | 5.9 | 6.4 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.7 | 5.6 | 5.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 77.3 | 70.3 | 64.1 |
| African American | 82.3 | 73.0 | 69.3 |
| Asian | 13.7 | 12.3 | 11.9 |
| Latino | 116.2 | 106.3 | 96.2 |
| Native American | 70.5 | 52.8 | 58.2 |
| White | 26.6 | 23.8 | 20.4 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 28% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 40.7% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.9 | 28.0 | 27.5 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,428 | $4,626 | $4,996 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 36% | 35% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 41% | 47% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 44% | 52% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 4.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 18.7 | 16.7 |
| African American | 78.7 | 69.9 |
| Asian | 2.0 | 1.9 |
| Latino | 10.5 | 9.3 |
| Native American | 36.3 | 39.2 |
| White | 19.9 | 22.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 191,921 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 71.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 415 | 20 |
| Deaths | 145 | 6 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 12,745 | 2,248 |
| Deaths | 74 | 17 |

## Los Angeles County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 54 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 55 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 34 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 28 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 8 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 47 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 48 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 24 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 43 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 29 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 43 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 42 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 14 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 42 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 21 / 37 |
| Teen births | 42 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 53 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 45 / 57 |
| Average class size | 54 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 22 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 48 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 38 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 56 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 45 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 14 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 8 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 15 / 44 |

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The children of

# Madera County

## County Highlights

One third of Madera's children under age five live in families with incomes below the poverty level. Madera also has a high incidence of teen births compared to other California counties. Madera has one of the lower foster care rates in California. Madera also has among the lowest child care costs in the state.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 117,358 | 34,297 | 12,341 | 100% |
| African-American | 5,010 | 893 | 303 | 2% |
| Asian | 1,568 | 463 | 162 | 1% |
| Latino | 44,174 | 18,014 | 7,437 | 60% |
| Native American | 1,263 | 314 | 124 | 1% |
| White | 65,343 | 14,613 | 4,315 | 35% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 1,987

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 27.6% | 33.2% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 22.5% | 28.3% |
| African-American | 53.6% | 62.7% |
| Asian | 15.6% | 17.3% |
| Latino | 28.2% | 33.4% |
| Native American | 20.7% | 20.2% |
| White | 13.9% | 17.9% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 4,431 |
| Percent of all eligible | 64.6% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $533 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 55.6% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 936 | 47.1% |
| African-American | 14 | 25.5% |
| Asian | 2 | 14.3% |
| Latino | 803 | 63.3% |
| Native American | 8 | 38.1% |
| White | 109 | 17.4% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | $319 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $347 | NA | $300 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 4% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 68% | 70% | 73% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $90 | $99 | $98 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.5% | 4.1% | 4.3% |
| African-American | 9.8% | 2.6% | 3.6% |
| Asian | 5.7% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 7.5% | 5.0% | 4.3% |
| Native American | 14.3% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 3.8% | 2.8% | 4.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.8% | 5.4% | 4.7% |
| African-American | 9.8% | 18.4% | 9.1% |
| Asian | 5.7% | 11.1% | 7.1% |
| Latino | 5.3% | 5.9% | 4.5% |
| Native American | 10.7% | 0.0% | 9.5% |
| White | 6.1% | 4.0% | 4.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.0 | 6.5 | 4.0 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 26.3 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.5 | 8.1 | 4.7 |
| Native American | 35.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.7 | 2.8 | 3.2 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 92.3 | 83.7 | 85.8 |
| African-American | 102.6 | 59.2 | 79.1 |
| Asian | 16.7 | 16.1 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 151.6 | 145.7 | 134.5 |
| Native American | 172.4 | 19.6 | 113.6 |
| White | 43.7 | 39.7 | 48.7 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 34% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 36.6% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.5 | 26.9 | 26.7 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,143 | $4,572 | $4,880 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 25% | 26% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 37% | 44% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 40% | 48% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.8 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.2 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4.7 | 4.3 |
| African-American | 39.1 | 25.7 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 4.2 | 3.4 |
| Native American | 6.3 | 16.4 |
| White | 3.5 | 4.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 4,010 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 123.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 1 |
| Deaths | 2 | 1 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 313 | 53 |
| Deaths | 7 | 5 |

## Madera County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 47 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 53 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 44 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 46 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 27 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 20 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 53 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 1 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 6 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 30 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 18 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 17 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 27 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 16 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 17 / 37 |
| Teen births | 48 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 48 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 53 / 57 |
| Average class size | 41 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 48 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 38 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 21 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 12 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 8 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 38 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 45 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 42 / 44 |

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The children of

# Marin County

## County Highlights

Marin ranks very well in many child well-being indicators. Marin has the lowest percentage of children living in families with incomes below the poverty level. Marin also has the lowest incidence of births to teens in the state. Additionally, with an average child support collection of $169 per month, Marin collects more child support per cases with orders than any other county. Marin is one of the more expensive places for families, with high preschool child care and housing costs.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 245,443 | 50,428 | 16,784 | 100% |
| African-American | 8,319 | 1,635 | 484 | 3% |
| Asian | 12,035 | 2,993 | 1,067 | 6% |
| Latino | 27,899 | 8,429 | 3,731 | 22% |
| Native American | 611 | 110 | 31 | <1% |
| White | 196,579 | 37,261 | 11,471 | 68% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 2,651 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 8.6% | 9.9% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.6% | 4.1% |
| African-American | 22.4% | 30.8% |
| Asian | 7.7% | 5.2% |
| Latino | 4.7% | 5.5% |
| Native American | 11.8% | 12.9% |
| White | 2.1% | 2.3% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,414 |
| Percent of all eligible | 40.2% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $987 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 103.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 389 | 14.7% |
| African-American | 10 | 17.5% |
| Asian | 7 | 4.0% |
| Latino | 327 | 61.1% |
| Native American | 0 | 0.0% |
| White | 42 | 2.2% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $754 | NA | $745 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $555 | NA | $622 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 8% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 86% | 84% | 84% |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $149 | $169 | $188 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.8% | 2.8% | 2.1% |
| African-American | 0.0% | 3.1% | 12.3% |
| Asian | 2.9% | 2.0% | 2.9% |
| Latino | 8.0% | 8.1% | 4.5% |
| Native American | NS | NS | 0.0% |
| White | 1.5% | 1.3% | 1.1% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.1% | 5.6% | 5.4% |
| African-American | 13.9% | 6.2% | 10.5% |
| Asian | 4.1% | 6.1% | 6.4% |
| Latino | 6.1% | 5.1% | 5.2% |
| Native American | NS | NS | 0.0% |
| White | 4.6% | 5.8% | 5.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.7 | 3.4 | 4.5 |
| African-American | 13.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 5.8 |
| Latino | 4.1 | 5.5 | 7.5 |
| Native American | NS | NS | 0.0 |
| White | 2.1 | 3.2 | 3.7 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 16.9 | 21.1 | 19.0 |
| African-American | 45.7 | 57.6 | 35.2 |
| Asian | 11.5 | 2.8 | 8.3 |
| Latino | 106.3 | 133.8 | 107.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 55.6 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.4 | 7.5 | 6.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 88% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 56.8% | NA |
| Average class size | 26.1 | 24.7 | 24.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $5,338 | $5,746 | $5,991 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 10% | 10% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 78% | 81% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 73% | 78% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 17.8 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 4.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.2 | 2.8 |
| African-American | 25.8 | 27.7 |
| Asian | 3.4 | 1.9 |
| Latino | 4.1 | 3.9 |
| Native American | 26.8 | 60.6 |
| White | 2.0 | 1.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,968 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 40.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 263 | 29 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Marin County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 1 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 2 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 1 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 1 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 57 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 55 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 2 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 34 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 51 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 4 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 3 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 1 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 6 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 18 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 1 / 37 |
| Teen births | 1 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 1 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 15 / 57 |
| Average class size | 20 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 5 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 1 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 1 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 12 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 9 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 2 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 2 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 2 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 11 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 2 / 44 |

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The children of

# Mariposa County

## County Highlights

Mariposa is one of the least populated counties in the state. Mariposa has a lower percentage of children living in families in poverty compared to the state average. Mariposa has a higher percentage of new mothers with at least a high school education and has relatively inexpensive preschool child care costs. Very few licensed child care spaces are available to infants in Mariposa County.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 16,093 | 3,486 | 994 | 100% |
| African-American | 127 | 14 | 7 | 1% |
| Asian | 128 | 25 | 10 | 1% |
| Latino | 880 | 277 | 97 | 10% |
| Native American | 557 | 122 | 27 | 3% |
| White | 14,401 | 3,048 | 853 | 86% |

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|---|---|
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 135 |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 19.0% | 22.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16.4% | 20.8% |
| African-American | 42.9% | 14.3% |
| Asian | 28.0% | 20.0% |
| Latino | 6.5% | 7.2% |
| Native American | 18.9% | 29.6% |
| White | 16.9% | 22.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 231 |
| Percent of all eligible | 59.8% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $531 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 55.4% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16 | 11.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 1 | 10.0% |
| Native American | 0 | 0.0% |
| White | 15 | 12.8% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $260 | NA | $260 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 61% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $113 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.3% | 3.2% | 4.4% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 27.3% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Native American | 0.0% | NS | 28.6% |
| White | 3.9% | 3.9% | 3.4% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.9% | 3.2% | 7.4% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0% | 4.3% | 0.0% |
| Native American | 11.1% | NS | 28.6% |
| White | 7.9% | 2.4% | 6.8% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | NS | 0.0 |
| White | 7.9 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 43.8 | 22.4 | 38.5 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 100.0 | 0.0 | NS |
| Latino | 129.0 | 27.8 | 52.6 |
| Native American | 45.5 | 0.0 | 93.8 |
| White | 36.0 | 23.9 | 33.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 51% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 100.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 24.6 | 21.9 | 23.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,779 | $4,959 | $5,650 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 0% | 0% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 58% | 57% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 48% | 50% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 38.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 7.2 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.1 | 7.9 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.6 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 15.6 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.2 | 9.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 547 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 153.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 36 | 5 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Mariposa County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 24 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 24 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 31 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 30 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 39 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 19 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 4 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 2 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 37 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 1 / 57 |
| Average class size | 12 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 10 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 20 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 37 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 8 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 4 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 30 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 36 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 45 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 41 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Mendocino County

## County Highlights

Mendocino's percent of mothers receiving late or no prenatal care services is twice the state average. Mendocino also has a high percentage of young children under five living in families with poverty-level income. Mendocino's school children experience smaller class sizes than many counties in California.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 87,448 | 22,417 | 6,735 | 100% |
| African-American | 507 | 157 | 29 | <1% |
| Asian | 1,171 | 292 | 99 | 1% |
| Latino | 11,719 | 4,849 | 1,898 | 28% |
| Native American | 3,572 | 1,257 | 430 | 6% |
| White | 70,479 | 15,862 | 4,279 | 64% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 1,025

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.9% | 29.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 17.3% | 21.2% |
| African-American | 43.9% | 131.0% |
| Asian | 8.2% | 6.1% |
| Latino | 10.7% | 12.8% |
| Native American | 46.4% | 51.9% |
| White | 16.9% | 21.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997—Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2,197 |
| Percent of all eligible | 60.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $616 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 64.3% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 273 | 26.6% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 4 | 33.3% |
| Latino | 163 | 52.9% |
| Native American | 24 | 32.0% |
| White | 81 | 13.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $355 | NA | $398 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 60% | NA | NA |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $104 | NA | NA |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 14.6% | 7.2% | 7.4% |
| African-American | NS | 14.3% | NS |
| Asian | 23.5% | 11.8% | 8.3% |
| Latino | 13.7% | 7.7% | 9.4% |
| Native American | 37.5% | 23.4% | 13.3% |
| White | 12.2% | 4.8% | 5.8% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.5% | 5.6% | 5.4% |
| African American | NS | 14.3% | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 5.9% | 8.3% |
| Latino | 6.4% | 7.1% | 6.5% |
| Native American | 10.0% | 7.8% | 6.7% |
| White | 3.3% | 4.5% | 4.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.0 | 9.8 | 4.9 |
| African-American | NS | 0.0 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.4 | 20.2 | 6.5 |
| Native American | 12.5 | 15.6 | 0.0 |
| White | 8.5 | 4.8 | 4.8 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 67.5 | 53.9 | 44.2 |
| African-American | 90.9 | 87.0 | 37.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 22.2 |
| Latino | 131.2 | 96.6 | 93.0 |
| Native American | 128.2 | 90.9 | 95.2 |
| White | 51.9 | 43.6 | 32.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 64% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 40.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 24.3 | 23.4 | 22.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,972 | $5,461 | $5,811 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 11% | 12% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 42% | 47% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 33% | 42% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 10.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.1 | 9.8 |
| African-American | 49.7 | 115.4 |
| Asian | 3.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 8.9 | 4.5 |
| Native American | 26.1 | 25.9 |
| White | 10.3 | 10.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 3,721 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 166.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 165 | 18 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## Mendocino County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 39 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 43 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 33 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 35 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 38 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 34 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 24 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 27 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 39 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NA / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 50 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 12 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 32 / 37 |
| Teen births | 26 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 20 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 44 / 57 |
| Average class size | 13 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 7 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 54 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 17 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 43 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 35 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 47 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 38 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 35 / 44 |

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The children of

# Merced County

## County Highlights

Merced County has a large percentage of children living in families in poverty. Merced also has a larger percentage of new mothers without a high school degree compared to other counties in California. The proficiency of Merced's third graders on reading and math tests is well below the state average. Merced compares well against other counties in its ability to secure child support orders and in the average child support payment per case with an order. Merced's foster care rate is less than half the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 206,254 | 70,949 | 24,105 | 100% |
| African-American | 8,444 | 2,839 | 944 | 4% |
| Asian | 20,817 | 10,125 | 3,226 | 13% |
| Latino | 74,188 | 30,701 | 11,833 | 49% |
| Native American | 1,226 | 273 | 73 | <1% |
| White | 101,579 | 27,011 | 8,029 | 33% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 3,610

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 35.6% | 38.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 27.1% | 29.4% |
| African-American | 52.3% | 62.9% |
| Asian | 54.0% | 45.6% |
| Latino | 26.7% | 29.2% |
| Native American | 17.9% | 23.3% |
| White | 14.9% | 19.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 9,529 |
| Percent of all eligible | 71.2% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $528 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 55.1% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 1,567 | 43.4% |
| African-American | 52 | 35.6% |
| Asian | 242 | 60.8% |
| Latino | 1,097 | 55.7% |
| Native American | 1 | 7.7% |
| White | 173 | 16.1% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | $347 | NA | $333 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 82% | 84% | 81% |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $94 | $108 | $112 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.1% | 5.9% | 7.1% |
| African-American | 8.1% | 6.7% | 12.3% |
| Asian | 7.7% | 7.3% | 6.0% |
| Latino | 5.8% | 5.5% | 7.5% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 5.9% | 0.0% |
| White | 5.8% | 5.9% | 6.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.1% | 6.3% | 6.0% |
| African-American | 9.3% | 7.4% | 11.6% |
| Asian | 6.0% | 6.7% | 7.8% |
| Latino | 5.7% | 6.2% | 5.4% |
| Native American | 25.0% | 11.8% | 0.0% |
| White | 6.3% | 6.2% | 5.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.2 | 7.2 | 6.9 |
| African-American | 5.8 | 7.4 | 27.4 |
| Asian | 11.2 | 13.8 | 5.0 |
| Latino | 5.0 | 4.1 | 6.6 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 12.3 | 10.1 | 5.6 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 99.5 | 84.4 | 74.8 |
| African-American | 131.9 | 103.4 | 93.3 |
| Asian | 128.9 | 74.5 | 65.2 |
| Latino | 135.1 | 121.4 | 115.1 |
| Native American | 54.1 | 142.9 | 0.0 |
| White | 57.1 | 51.4 | 40.5 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 24% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 41.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.4 | 26.4 | 26.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,174 | $4,441 | $4,751 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 33% | 32% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 31% | 35% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 31% | 40% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 4.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.8 | 3.0 |
| African-American | 16.5 | 9.5 |
| Asian | 0.8 | 1.2 |
| Latino | 3.3 | 2.8 |
| Native American | 7.2 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.1 | 3.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 8,017 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 116.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 6 | 0 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 500 | 66 |
| Deaths | 13 | 4 |

## Merced County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 56 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 54 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 55 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 53 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 13 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 18 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 50 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 16 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 32 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 6 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 9 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 41 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 33 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 31 / 37 |
| Teen births | 47 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 56 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 41 / 57 |
| Average class size | 28 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 43 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 58 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 57 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 47 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 25 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 14 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 12 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 40 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 31 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 40 / 44 |

**DEFINITIONS GUIDE**
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**The children of**

# Modoc County

## County Highlights

Modoc County has a substantially higher percentage of births to mothers with at least a high school education compared to the state average. Modoc's per pupil expenditure is well above the state average and its class sizes are well below the state average. Modoc has a higher incidence of child abuse reports and a higher incidence of young children in foster care compared to other counties in California.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10,304 | 2,416 | 717 | 100% |
| African-American | 85 | 13 | 1 | <1% |
| Asian | 41 | 11 | 6 | 1% |
| Latino | 996 | 403 | 154 | 21% |
| Native American | 407 | 126 | 35 | 5% |
| White | 8,775 | 1,863 | 521 | 73% |

| | |
|---|---|
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 98 |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 26.9% | 26.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 26.5% | 30.5% |
| African-American | 30.8% | NS |
| Asian | 18.2% | NS |
| Latino | 18.9% | 26.0% |
| Native American | 34.9% | 40.0% |
| White | 27.6% | 31.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 261 |
| Percent of all eligible | 65.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 17 | 17.3% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 7 | 31.8% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 8 | 11.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | NA | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 55% | 51% | 47% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $42 | $59 | $62 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.4% | 4.4% | 4.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.2% | 3.6% | 4.5% |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 9.3% | 3.9% | 2.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.7% | 6.1% | 5.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3.2% | 7.1% | 9.1% |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 5.8% | 6.6% | 4.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.2 | 17.5 | 10.2 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 32.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | NS | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 0.0 | 26.3 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 36.9 | 63.1 | 56.1 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 205.9 | 170.7 | 171.4 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 133.3 | 95.2 |
| White | 21.4 | 44.6 | 40.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 77% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 71.4% | NA |
| Average class size | 19.7 | 19.4 | 18.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $5,405 | $5,471 | $5,926 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 13% | 12% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 44% | 46% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 41% | 59% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 45.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 9.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.8 | 11.7 |
| African-American | 0.0 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | NS |
| Latino | 10.2 | 6.9 |
| Native American | 46.2 | 96.8 |
| White | 4.7 | 8.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 308 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 123.9 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 22 | 3 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Modoc County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 45 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 32 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 53 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 56 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 25 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 9 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | NA / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 40 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 47 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 6 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 9 / 57 |
| Average class size | 3 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 6 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 44 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 17 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 7 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 2 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 9 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 51 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 42 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Mono County

## County Highlights

Mono County has a much lower rate of children living in families with poverty-level income compared to the state average. Mono also has a larger percentage of licensed child care center spaces available for infants. Mono County third graders rank last in math proficiency and the percent of mothers without a high school degree is above the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10,616 | 2,645 | 763 | 100% |
| African-American | 45 | 11 | 1 | <1% |
| Asian | 124 | 35 | 11 | 1% |
| Latino | 1,594 | 592 | 260 | 34% |
| Native American | 347 | 119 | 23 | 3% |
| White | 8,506 | 1,888 | 468 | 61% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 118 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 12.7% | 14.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.2% | 8.1% |
| African-American | 0.0% | NS |
| Asian | 2.9% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 4.6% | 5.0% |
| Native American | 25.2% | 30.4% |
| White | 5.6% | 9.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 220 |
| Percent of all eligible | 68.5% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $732 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 76.4% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 40 | 33.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 34 | 73.9% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 5 | 7.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $477 | NA | $400 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 12% | NA | 17% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 40% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $133 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.4% | 2.5% | 6.8% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 10.9% | 5.3% | 15.2% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 5.7% | 1.4% | 1.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.1% | 4.2% | 8.5% |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 6.5% | 2.6% | 17.4% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 9.2% | 5.5% | 1.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 33.6 | 30.9 | 45.2 |
| African American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 88.2 | 71.4 | 190.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 45.5 | 0.0 |
| White | 28.4 | 22.5 | 20.8 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 35% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 93.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 20.7 | 20.4 | 19.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $5,269 | $6,053 | $6,243 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 11% | 13% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 59% | 59% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 50% | 30% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 86.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 7.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9 | 5.0 |
| African-American | 0.0 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 24.2 | 43.5 |
| White | 5.2 | 6.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 220 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 83.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 32 | 2 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Mono County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 7 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 6 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 3 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 4 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 18 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 45 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 36 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 28 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 1 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 52 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 46 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 5 / 57 |
| Average class size | 4 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 3 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 19 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 58 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 2 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 3 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 16 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 19 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 51 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

**DEFINITIONS GUIDE**

NA-Not Available

NR-Not Ranked

NS-Not Shown

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The children of

# Monterey County

## County Highlights

Monterey County has a higher rate of births to mothers without a high school degree. Monterey's percentage of mothers receiving prenatal care services is lower than average, although it continued to improve between 1995 and 1997. Monterey has a low foster care rate. The county's child support collections per cases with orders is above the state average.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 387,989 | 117,106 | 42,464 | 100% |
| African-American | 23,021 | 5,570 | 1,158 | 3% |
| Asian | 28,334 | 7,149 | 2,226 | 5% |
| Latino | 151,889 | 62,671 | 26,463 | 62% |
| Native American | 2,330 | 470 | 104 | <1% |
| White | 182,415 | 41,246 | 12,513 | 29% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 6,720 | | |

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 22.1% | 26.4% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.0% | 12.9% |
| African-American | 14.6% | 26.6% |
| Asian | 9.6% | 9.0% |
| Latino | 14.2% | 15.1% |
| Native American | 7.0% | 12.5% |
| White | 5.8% | 7.5% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 13,752 |
| Percent of all eligible | 66.3% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $733 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 76.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3,054 | 45.4% |
| African-American | 27 | 17.8% |
| Asian | 41 | 10.7% |
| Latino | 2,844 | 65.2% |
| Native American | 3 | 25.0% |
| White | 139 | 7.8% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $485 | NA | $621 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $425 | NA | $443 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 2% | NA | 5% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 50% | 61% | 62% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $100 | $102 | $106 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.0% | 5.3% | 4.2% |
| African-American | 5.7% | 3.2% | 4.6% |
| Asian | 4.0% | 4.8% | 2.9% |
| Latino | 9.0% | 6.7% | 5.3% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 0.0% | 8.3% |
| White | 2.9% | 1.7% | 1.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.3% | 4.8% | 5.5% |
| African-American | 5.1% | 12.7% | 7.9% |
| Asian | 6.3% | 5.0% | 7.8% |
| Latino | 5.4% | 4.7% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 11.8% | 7.1% | 8.3% |
| White | 4.5% | 4.3% | 4.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.7 | 5.3 | 5.8 |
| African-American | 6.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 2.8 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 5.6 | 5.4 | 7.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.6 | 6.1 | 4.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 85.5 | 80.1 | 77.3 |
| African-American | 67.0 | 42.9 | 38.9 |
| Asian | 27.7 | 26.6 | 20.6 |
| Latino | 139.3 | 130.2 | 125.1 |
| Native American | 67.8 | 29.0 | 29.9 |
| White | 31.9 | 32.0 | 32.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 62% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 50.6% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.4 | 26.6 | 26.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,365 | $4,529 | $4,892 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 34% | 35% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 40% | 48% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 35% | 46% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 9.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 3.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.8 | 3.2 |
| African-American | 12.0 | 17.4 |
| Asian | 1.0 | 2.2 |
| Latino | 3.8 | 2.5 |
| Native American | 4.1 | 16.9 |
| White | 3.3 | 3.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 9,142 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 85.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 7 | 0 |
| Deaths | 6 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 477 | 83 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## Monterey County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 31 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 33 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 21 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 20 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 22 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 46 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 52 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 27 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 41 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 14 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 38 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 12 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 32 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 13 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 15 / 37 |
| Teen births | 45 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 25 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 23 / 57 |
| Average class size | 36 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 30 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 37 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 48 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 21 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 15 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 3 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 6 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 22 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 1 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 9 / 44 |

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|---|---|
| NA-Not Available | |
| NR-Not Ranked | *Please see Data Explanations* |
| NS-Not Shown | *section for more information* |

The children of

# Napa County

## County Highlights

Napa County's infant mortality rate is well below the state average and declined between 1995 and 1997. Napa's low birthweight infant rate is also well below the state average and ranks 2nd among 49 counties. Napa has the lowest child abuse report rate in California. Napa has a per pupil expenditure below the state average

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 123,118 | 28,931 | 9,366 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,569 | 423 | 106 | 1% |
| Asian | 4,823 | 1,123 | 319 | 3% |
| Latino | 22,322 | 8,508 | 3,541 | 38% |
| Native American | 760 | 159 | 62 | 1% |
| White | 93,644 | 18,718 | 5,338 | 57% |

| TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997) | 1,499 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.0% | 16.2% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 7.1% |
| African-American | 17.0% | 34.0% |
| Asian | 3.0% | 1.9% |
| Latino | 5.3% | 6.0% |
| Native American | 6.3% | 6.5% |
| White | 5.5% | 7.6% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2258 |
| Percent of all eligible | 80.2% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $711 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 74.2% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 451 | 30.1% |
| African-American | 3 | 20.0% |
| Asian | 3 | 5.2% |
| Latino | 391 | 62.9% |
| Native American | 1 | 14.3% |
| White | 53 | 6.7% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $589 | NA | $391 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $429 | NA | $419 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 2% | NA | 4% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 65% | 62% | 72% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $115 | $150 | $115 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.3% | 4.2% | 2.6% |
| African-American | 6.7% | 7.7% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 2.3% | 2.7% | 1.7% |
| Latino | 6.2% | 5.5% | 3.4% |
| Native American | 0.0% | NS | 14.3% |
| White | 3.2% | 3.3% | 1.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.2% | 3.9% | 4.5% |
| African-American | 6.7% | 0.0% | 20.0% |
| Asian | 6.8% | 2.7% | 10.3% |
| Latino | 3.0% | 3.5% | 4.5% |
| Native American | 0.0% | NS | 0.0% |
| White | 5.0% | 4.4% | 3.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.5 | 4.6 | 3.3 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 5.3 | 6.6 | 3.2 |
| Native American | 0.0 | NS | 0.0 |
| White | 6.1 | 3.5 | 3.8 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 46.7 | 43.2 | 33.4 |
| African-American | 18.5 | 57.7 | 54.5 |
| Asian | 47.6 | 6.3 | 11.6 |
| Latino | 114.2 | 117.4 | 100.3 |
| Native American | 76.9 | 33.3 | 0.0 |
| White | 29.1 | 24.7 | 16.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 73% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 66.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.4 | 27.0 | 26.7 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,937 | $4,454 | $4,695 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 18% | 20% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 64% | 63% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 59% | 64% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 6.6 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 3.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0 | 5.7 |
| African-American | 30.2 | 9.3 |
| Asian | 3.7 | 3.4 |
| Latino | 4.9 | 4.9 |
| Native American | 25.6 | 50.8 |
| White | 5.8 | 5.8 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,217 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 43.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 208 | 19 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Napa County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 8 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 10 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 4 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 6 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 7 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 42 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 31/ 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 6 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 35 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 19 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 22 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 6 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 21 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 2 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 4 / 37 |
| Teen births | 14 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 11 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 11 / 57 |
| Average class size | 41 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 51 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 11 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 10 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 34 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 14 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 25 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 22 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 1 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 40 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 18 / 44 |

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The children of

# Nevada County

## County Highlights

Nevada County ranks well in educational indicators, with third graders scoring among the top counties and a low rate of new mothers with less than a high school education. Nevada also has one of the lowest teen birth rates. Nevada's average child support collection is at the lower end among counties, with a $71 average monthly collection per case with an order.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 91,117 | 19,985 | 5,463 | 100% |
| African-American | 181 | 36 | 7 | <1% |
| Asian | 763 | 193 | 54 | 1% |
| Latino | 4,429 | 1,553 | 531 | 10% |
| Native American | 803 | 193 | 53 | 1% |
| White | 84,941 | 18,010 | 4,818 | 88% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 796

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.6% | 18.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.4% | 9.0% |
| African-American | 27.8% | 85.7% |
| Asian | 5.7% | 1.9% |
| Latino | 2.2% | 2.6% |
| Native American | 4.7% | 9.4% |
| White | 6.7% | 9.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1097 |
| Percent of all eligible | 68.7% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $686 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 71.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 130 | 16.3% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 1 | 12.5% |
| Latino | 51 | 52.6% |
| Native American | 4 | 30.8% |
| White | 74 | 11.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $520 | NA | $523 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $368 | NA | $389 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 1% | NA | 3% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 67% | 70% | 73% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $62 | $72 | $78 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.8% | 3.5% | 2.6% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 3.8% | 11.4% | 10.3% |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | 7.7% |
| White | 2.7% | 2.7% | 1.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9% | 6.0% | 5.2% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 1.3% | 10.2% | 6.2% |
| Native American | NS | 6.3% | 0.0% |
| White | 5.4% | 5.6% | 5.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.6 | 11.3 | 3.8 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 11.4 | 10.3 |
| Native American | NS | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.1 | 11.8 | 3.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 29.3 | 27.7 | 28.1 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 90.9 |
| Asian | 32.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 42.1 | 38.5 | 53.9 |
| Native American | 33.3 | 69.0 | 103.4 |
| White | 28.4 | 26.9 | 25.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 85% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 46.8% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.3 | 26.1 | 26.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,187 | $4,594 | $5,018 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 0% | 1% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 62% | 68% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 56% | 65% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 8.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.3 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.2 | 3.4 |
| African-American | 26.3 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 5.1 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 2.6 | 3.9 |
| Native American | 25.5 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.1 | 3.4 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,849 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 92.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 220 | 15 |
| Deaths | 2 | 1 |

## Nevada County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 13 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 15 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 8 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 13 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 16 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 40/ 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 3 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 18 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 26 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 35 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 20 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 41 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 10 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 19 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 2 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 2 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 30 / 57 |
| Average class size | 32 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 29 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 3 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 8 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 26 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 31 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 17 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 11 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 27 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 47 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 30 / 44 |

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The children of

# Orange County

## County Highlights

Orange County has a mixed education record, with its third graders scoring near the top among the state's counties and a relatively high proportion of new mothers with less than a high school education. The county has the second largest average class size. Orange has an overall low infant mortality rate. Among the county's various ethnic groups, Latinos have the lowest infant mortality rate and African-Americans experience the highest.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2,744,995 | 768,293 | 296,505 | 100% |
| African American | 44,703 | 14,538 | 4,991 | 2% |
| Asian | 342,299 | 99,285 | 36,663 | 12% |
| Latino | 785,310 | 313,184 | 140,430 | 47% |
| Native American | 8,386 | 1,732 | 612 | <1% |
| White | 1,564,297 | 339,554 | 113,809 | 38% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 47,487

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 16.4% | 21.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.0% | 6.9% |
| African-American | 17.5% | 20.2% |
| Asian | 14.6% | 9.7% |
| Latino | 7.7% | 7.8% |
| Native American | 5.0% | 4.7% |
| White | 3.7% | 4.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 72,301 |
| Percent of all eligible | 71.3% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $858 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 89.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 15,429 | 32.5% |
| African-American | 69 | 9.9% |
| Asian | 622 | 10.6% |
| Latino | 13,800 | 60.4% |
| Native American | 19 | 18.1% |
| White | 914 | 5.1% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $607 | NA | $713 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $442 | NA | $486 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 51% | 60% | 64% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $74 | $79 | $89 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.4% | 3.2% | 3.0% |
| African-American | 2.8% | 3.7% | 3.3% |
| Asian | 2.0% | 1.9% | 2.4% |
| Latino | 5.0% | 4.7% | 4.3% |
| Native American | 2.7% | 5.9% | 2.9% |
| White | 2.0% | 1.6% | 1.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4% | 5.2% | 5.3% |
| African-American | 11.1% | 8.9% | 11.4% |
| Asian | 6.2% | 6.2% | 6.6% |
| Latino | 5.1% | 5.1% | 5.2% |
| Native American | 8.0% | 4.0% | 8.6% |
| White | 5.1% | 4.8% | 4.8% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| African-American | 7.5 | 14.8 | 10.1 |
| Asian | 5.5 | 4.4 | 5.3 |
| Latino | 4.9 | 4.2 | 4.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 9.9 | 9.5 |
| White | 6.4 | 4.2 | 4.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 58.2 | 56.4 | 50.8 |
| African-American | 61.7 | 59.1 | 49.9 |
| Asian | 16.0 | 14.8 | 15.0 |
| Latino | 140.4 | 136.1 | 118.8 |
| Native American | 75.9 | 32.1 | 48.4 |
| White | 22.2 | 21.1 | 18.7 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 33% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 47.7% | NA |
| Average class size | 30.3 | 28.9 | 28.7 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,060 | $4,358 | $4,700 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 30% | 30% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 60% | 65% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 62% | 70% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.8 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4.7 | 4.5 |
| African-American | 20.7 | 21.7 |
| Asian | 1.1 | 0.9 |
| Latino | 4.1 | 3.6 |
| Native American | 8.7 | 15.1 |
| White | 5.5 | 5.8 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 31,847 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 44.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 45 | 2 |
| Deaths | 19 | 1 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3,471 | 503 |
| Deaths | 13 | 2 |

## Orange County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 16 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 19 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 10 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 3 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 12 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 53 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 37 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 32 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 45 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 21 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 36 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 27 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 15 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 15 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 8 / 37 |
| Teen births | 27 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 50 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 28 / 57 |
| Average class size | 57 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 50 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 7 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 2 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 50 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 28 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 13 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 13 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 5 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 6 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 5 / 44 |

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The children of

# Placer County

## County Highlights

One of California's fastest growing counties, Placer County has a relatively low rate of child poverty. Placer County has one of the state's better records on prenatal care, low birthweight infants, infant mortality and teen births. Among young children eligible for the nutrition program WIC, just about half benefit from the program. Placer County third graders earn among the best scores in the state on reading and math tests.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 224,464 | 59,137 | 18,553 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,495 | 426 | 127 | 1% |
| Asian | 5,719 | 1,692 | 630 | 3% |
| Latino | 19,428 | 7,022 | 2,581 | 14% |
| Native American | 1,850 | 451 | 148 | 1% |
| White | 195,972 | 49,546 | 15,067 | 81% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 2,607 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 10.3% | 13.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0% | 7.3% |
| African-American | 24.2% | 33.1% |
| Asian | 1.8% | 2.1% |
| Latino | 6.7% | 8.1% |
| Native American | 14.6% | 17.6% |
| White | 5.8% | 7.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,926 |
| Percent of all eligible | 52.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $648 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 67.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 280 | 10.7% |
| African-American | 1 | 5.9% |
| Asian | 7 | 7.1% |
| Latino | 127 | 32.2% |
| Native American | 6 | 33.3% |
| White | 139 | 6.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $659 | NA | $562 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $472 | NA | $433 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 44% | 36% | 25% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $111 | $151 | $250 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.1% | 3.0% | 2.1% |
| African-American | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 4.8% | 1.9% | 2.0% |
| Latino | 7.8% | 7.3% | 4.8% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 10.3% | 5.6% |
| White | 2.4% | 2.2% | 1.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0% | 4.6% | 5.0% |
| African-American | 25.0% | 10.0% | 17.6% |
| Asian | 6.7% | 3.8% | 5.1% |
| Latino | 6.2% | 4.5% | 4.6% |
| Native American | 20.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 4.3% | 4.5% | 5.1% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.3 | 6.2 | 1.9 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 13.4 | 4.7 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.5 | 6.4 | 2.4 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 37.4 | 30.5 | 27.2 |
| African-American | 94.3 | 76.9 | 88.9 |
| Asian | 33.7 | 19.3 | 13.6 |
| Latino | 97.3 | 80.4 | 70.7 |
| Native American | 47.6 | 65.6 | 63.5 |
| White | 29.9 | 24.5 | 22.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 71% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 47.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.2 | 27.5 | 26.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,962 | $4,256 | $4,517 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 4% | 4% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 65% | 68% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 60% | 69% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 9.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 3.1 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.9 | 5.8 |
| African-American | 27.5 | 50.8 |
| Asian | 2.5 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.0 | 5.6 |
| Native American | 28.7 | 37.3 |
| White | 6.8 | 5.4 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 2,994 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 53.8 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 4 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 481 | 48 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## Placer County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 3 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 5 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 5 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 5 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 51 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 35 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 1 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 21 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 37 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 38 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 47 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 2 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 7 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 7 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 9 / 37 |
| Teen births | 5 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 14 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 26 / 57 |
| Average class size | 39 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 57 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 3 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 3 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 20 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 16 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 20 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 14 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 15 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 37 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 22 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Plumas County

## County Highlights

Plumas County ranks near the state average in the percentages of children living in poverty and receiving TANF. Plumas has one of the state's best records of connecting families eligible for the nutrition program WIC to its services. Plumas' average class size is well below the state average and third grade students' test scores are above the state average.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 20,574 | 4,382 | 1,067 | 100% |
| African-American | 162 | 57 | 10 | 1% |
| Asian | 125 | 35 | 14 | 1% |
| Latino | 1,176 | 437 | 117 | 11% |
| Native American | 610 | 171 | 41 | 4% |
| White | 18,501 | 3,682 | 885 | 83% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 156

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 19.3% | 23.2% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 12.8% | 18.7% |
| African-American | 33.3% | 70.0% |
| Asian | 2.9% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 7.6% | 7.7% |
| Native American | 17.0% | 29.3% |
| White | 13.0% | 19.4% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 430 |
| Percent of all eligible | 84.3% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16 | 10.3% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 3 | 27.3% |
| Native American | 1 | 11.1% |
| White | 12 | 9.1% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | $451 | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 54% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $150 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4% | 5.4% | 1.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 10.5% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Native American | NS | NS | 11.1% |
| White | 4.3% | 5.5% | 1.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0% | 6.8% | 1.9% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Native American | NS | NS | 0.0% |
| White | 7.1% | 7.9% | 2.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0 | 13.5 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | NS | NS | 0.0 |
| White | 7.1 | 15.7 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 41.2 | 30.9 | 19.1 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 21.7 | 68.2 | 20.4 |
| Native American | 57.1 | 62.5 | 0.0 |
| White | 41.0 | 27.7 | 20.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 77% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 44.4% | NA |
| Average class size | 25.0 | 23.6 | 20.9 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,629 | $4,940 | $5,559 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 2% | 2% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 56% | 65% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 51% | 59% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 59.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 17.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.1 | 8.3 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 9.2 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 17.4 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.6 | 9.9 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 521 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 113.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 49 | 5 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Plumas County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 25 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 28 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 25 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 33 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 5 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | NR / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | NA / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 6 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 36 / 57 |
| Average class size | 11 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 12 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 7 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 17 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 4 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 1 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 23 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 41 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | NR / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Riverside County

## County Highlights

Riverside County has the largest average class size among the counties and a per pupil expenditure below the state average. The county's third graders' test scores are also below the state average. Riverside made improvements from 1995 to 1997 in the county's percentage of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care, infant mortality rate and teen birth rate.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,470,398 | 439,708 | 151,621 | 100% |
| African-American | 79,303 | 26,272 | 9,123 | 6% |
| Asian | 59,680 | 18,981 | 6,907 | 5% |
| Latino | 426,259 | 175,268 | 71,502 | 47% |
| Native American | 11,471 | 3,576 | 1,283 | 1% |
| White | 893,685 | 215,611 | 62,806 | 41% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 23,319

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 19.7% | 22.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.5% | 15.8% |
| African-American | 39.4% | 44.4% |
| Asian | 11.4% | 8.8% |
| Latino | 15.2% | 15.7% |
| Native American | 13.9% | 13.8% |
| White | 9.1% | 12.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 36,464 |
| Percent of all eligible | 57.8% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $587 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 61.3% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7,450 | 31.9% |
| African-American | 292 | 19.3% |
| Asian | 109 | 11.6% |
| Latino | 5,906 | 49.0% |
| Native American | 48 | 34.0% |
| White | 1,090 | 12.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $563 | NA | $562 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $390 | NA | $369 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 51% | 57% | 61% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $50 | $60 | $69 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 5.7% | 5.5% |
| African-American | 6.4% | 5.3% | 5.9% |
| Asian | 5.2% | 4.8% | 4.7% |
| Latino | 8.6% | 7.3% | 6.5% |
| Native American | 12.1% | 10.2% | 9.2% |
| White | 4.4% | 3.6% | 4.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.8% | 6.1% | 6.6% |
| African-American | 10.8% | 11.3% | 13.6% |
| Asian | 6.6% | 7.7% | 8.4% |
| Latino | 5.3% | 5.8% | 6.0% |
| Native American | 5.2% | 5.1% | 7.8% |
| White | 5.4% | 5.6% | 5.9% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.1 | 6.4 | 6.0 |
| African-American | 14.9 | 15.0 | 13.2 |
| Asian | 6.3 | 6.8 | 7.4 |
| Latino | 6.9 | 5.2 | 5.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 14.2 |
| White | 6.3 | 6.6 | 5.8 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 75.8 | 69.2 | 65.1 |
| African-American | 102.0 | 97.5 | 95.2 |
| Asian | 34.2 | 34.1 | 31.8 |
| Latino | 127.8 | 118.3 | 115.7 |
| Native American | 97.9 | 64.8 | 75.9 |
| White | 41.4 | 37.3 | 32.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 37% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 39.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 30.9 | 28.5 | 28.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,059 | $4,328 | $4,665 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 19% | 19% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 38% | 42% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 39% | 49% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.7 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.2 | 8.0 |
| African-American | 27.1 | 23.2 |
| Asian | 1.3 | 2.0 |
| Latino | 5.9 | 5.3 |
| Native American | 25.2 | 29.4 |
| White | 8.0 | 9.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 26,805 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 64.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 26 | 1 |
| Deaths | 11 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2,092 | 309 |
| Deaths | 31 | 6 |

## Riverside County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 27 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 26 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 27 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 25 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 41 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 30 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 33 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 22 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 22 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 23 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 39 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 46 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 40 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 34 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 23 / 37 |
| Teen births | 41 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 44 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 48 / 57 |
| Average class size | 58 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 52 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 51 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 40 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 51 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 41 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 31 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 27 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 12 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 12 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 13 / 44 |

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The children of

# Sacramento County

## County Highlights

Sacramento County has one of the higher proportions of children in poverty. Also, Sacramento has a lower than average record of establishing child support orders for families who need them. Sacramento has improved from 1995 to 1997 in the percentage of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and teen birth rate. Sacramento has one of the better records of Head Start enrollment. The county's third graders' test scores are above the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,166,303 | 327,795 | 112,070 | 100% |
| African-American | 116,102 | 40,124 | 13,950 | 12% |
| Asian | 128,006 | 43,994 | 16,046 | 14% |
| Latino | 152,452 | 56,110 | 21,240 | 19% |
| Native American | 12,193 | 3,225 | 972 | 1% |
| White | 757,550 | 184,342 | 59,862 | 53% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 17,312

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.5% | 26.9% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 26.2% | 28.4% |
| African-American | 52.4% | 62.7% |
| Asian | 47.2% | 37.5% |
| Latino | 21.6% | 23.9% |
| Native American | 19.3% | 21.9% |
| White | 16.9% | 19.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 24,019 |
| Percent of all eligible | 56.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $648 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 67.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4,003 | 23.1% |
| African-American | 505 | 23.2% |
| Asian | 670 | 26.6% |
| Latino | 1,509 | 42.2% |
| Native American | 44 | 34.1% |
| White | 1,268 | 14.4% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $633 | NA | $634 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $459 | NA | $436 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 6% | NA | 6% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 39% | 50% | 52% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $121 | $129 | $128 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.9% | 5.2% | 4.9% |
| African-American | 8.4% | 6.9% | 5.3% |
| Asian | 5.7% | 4.3% | 4.8% |
| Latino | 9.5% | 7.6% | 6.7% |
| Native American | 14.4% | 11.5% | 10.1% |
| White | 5.9% | 4.0% | 3.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6% | 6.1% | 6.9% |
| African-American | 11.8% | 12.6% | 12.8% |
| Asian | 6.5% | 6.1% | 7.6% |
| Latino | 6.0% | 4.8% | 6.0% |
| Native American | 8.8% | 5.4% | 7.8% |
| White | 5.6% | 5.2% | 5.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.0 |
| African-American | 14.0 | 13.1 | 11.5 |
| Asian | 4.6 | 2.4 | 5.6 |
| Latino | 7.0 | 6.9 | 5.6 |
| Native American | 6.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.1 | 6.8 | 7.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 66.4 | 57.1 | 54.4 |
| African-American | 107.0 | 91.8 | 94.5 |
| Asian | 67.1 | 50.7 | 52.1 |
| Latino | 112.4 | 105.4 | 94.8 |
| Native American | 59.9 | 43.8 | 44.4 |
| White | 45.7 | 38.6 | 35.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 59% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 56.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.4 | 27.3 | 26.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,256 | $4,516 | $4,970 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 17% | 17% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 45% | 55% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 44% | 56% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.0 | 11.9 |
| African-American | 38.3 | 33.5 |
| Asian | 1.8 | 1.6 |
| Latino | 10.7 | 9.3 |
| Native American | 22.9 | 24.9 |
| White | 10.7 | 10.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 33,000 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 103.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 33 | 2 |
| Deaths | 20 | 3 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2,281 | 314 |
| Deaths | 11 | 1 |

## Sacramento County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 37 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 35 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 50 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 48 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 46 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 35 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 22 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 29 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 38 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 8 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 44 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 5 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 36 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 44 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 26 / 37 |
| Teen births | 33 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 32 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 14 / 57 |
| Average class size | 44 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 34 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 25 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 23 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 55 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 40 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 45 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 37 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 29 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 34 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 33 / 44 |

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The children of

# San Benito County

## County Highlights

One of the state's fastest growing counties, San Benito County has a high percentage of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and a low percentage of low birthweight infants. San Benito also has one of the highest percentages of child care center spaces dedicated to infants, with a significant increase from 1996 to 1998. Compared to infants statewide, San Benito infants are slightly more likely to be born to mothers with less than a high school education.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 48,356 | 14,252 | 5,083 | 100% |
| African-American | 202 | 72 | 23 | <1% |
| Asian | 1,003 | 266 | 108 | 2% |
| Latino | 21,021 | 7,716 | 2,988 | 59% |
| Native American | 255 | 36 | 10 | <1% |
| White | 25,875 | 6,162 | 1,954 | 38% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 888 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 15.4% | 17.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.7% | 10.0% |
| African-American | 26.4% | 43.5% |
| Asian | 2.6% | 2.8% |
| Latino | 12.4% | 13.7% |
| Native American | 2.8% | 0.0% |
| White | 4.1% | 4.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,469 |
| Percent of all eligible | 79.7% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $665 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 69.4% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 304 | 34.2% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0 | 0.0% |
| Latino | 276 | 51.2% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 26 | 8.3% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $511 | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $399 | NA | $443 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 15% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 54% | 61% | 63% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $69 | $75 | $76 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.3% | 2.6% | 1.8% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 7.1% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 3.1% | 2.5% | 2.6% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 1.0% | 2.6% | .6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9% | 4.9% | 4.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 28.6% | 4.2% |
| Latino | 4.8% | 3.7% | 5.0% |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 5.4% | 5.9% | 2.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.8 | 5.0 | 6.8 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.3 | 3.9 | 11.1 |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 0.0 | 7.4 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 68.7 | 72.3 | 61.2 |
| African-American | 62.5 | 71.4 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 28.6 | 58.8 | 29.4 |
| Latino | 102.8 | 110.0 | 92.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 28.6 | 27.0 | 26.4 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 35% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 89.3% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.2 | 27.5 | 26.5 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,140 | $4,408 | $4,735 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 17% | 16% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 42% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 39% | 51% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4.6 | 3.3 |
| African-American | 55.6 | 69.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 5.0 | 3.4 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.6 | 2.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 734 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 55.7 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 95 | 12 |
| Deaths | 1 | 1 |

## San Benito County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 15 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 13 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 18 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 15 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 9 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 39 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 44 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 40 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 2 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 35 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 37 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 5 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 3 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 40 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 46 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 6 / 57 |
| Average class size | 43 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 46 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 35 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 37 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 36 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 10 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 5 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 10 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 25 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 28 / 44 |

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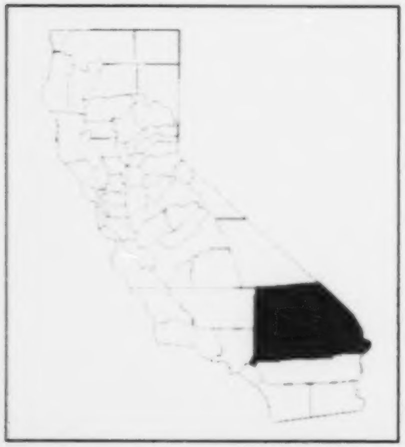
The children of

# San Bernardino County



## County Highlights

San Bernardino County is one of the state's fastest growing. Its average class size is among the largest and third grade students' test scores remain below the state average. While San Bernardino's teen birth rate is declining, it remains well above the state average. The teen birth rates for all ethnic groups, except that of Native American youth, are higher than the average for their counterparts statewide. San Bernardino made improvements from 1995 to 1997 in the proportion of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,652,363 | 537,480 | 185,239 | 100% |
| African-American | 142,961 | 52,157 | 17,544 | 9% |
| Asian | 80,011 | 25,946 | 9,516 | 5% |
| Latino | 514,420 | 212,418 | 85,144 | 46% |
| Native American | 10,870 | 2,901 | 992 | 1% |
| White | 904,101 | 244,058 | 72,043 | 39% |

| | |
|---|---|
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 28,319 |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 22.9% | 25.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 19.0% | 21.1% |
| African-American | 40.7% | 46.6% |
| Asian | 15.9% | 11.7% |
| Latino | 20.6% | 20.7% |
| Native American | 26.1% | 26.2% |
| White | 13.2% | 16.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 43,318 |
| Percent of all eligible | 52.7% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $587 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 61.3% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9,402 | 33.2% |
| African-American | 654 | 24.6% |
| Asian | 155 | 11.2% |
| Latino | 6,938 | 48.7% |
| Native American | 53 | 37.6% |
| White | 1,598 | 16.2% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $520 | NA | $507 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $381 | NA | $382 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 25% | 41% | 39% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $110 | $89 | $89 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 5.2% | 4.9% |
| African-American | 6.6% | 4.9% | 5.0% |
| Asian | 5.3% | 4.4% | 3.7% |
| Latino | 7.9% | 6.0% | 5.6% |
| Native American | 11% | 10.9% | 11.3% |
| White | 5.2% | 4.1% | 4.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 6.6% | 6.7% |
| African-American | 12.2% | 12.0% | 12.5% |
| Asian | 6.7% | 6.9% | 6.5% |
| Latino | 5.7% | 5.6% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 9.6% | 4.6% | 9.2% |
| White | 6.5% | 6.5% | 6.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.7 | 7.1 | 8.3 |
| African-American | 19.3 | 13.5 | 19.2 |
| Asian | 4.8 | 2.8 | 3.6 |
| Latino | 6.6 | 6.5 | 6.5 |
| Native American | 13.7 | 5.7 | 7.1 |
| White | 6.5 | 7.0 | 8.6 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 79.8 | 73.9 | 68.7 |
| African-American | 101.7 | 86.2 | 89.0 |
| Asian | 30.8 | 24.5 | 22.7 |
| Latino | 129.5 | 124.6 | 115.6 |
| Native American | 75.1 | 82.4 | 62.1 |
| White | 46.5 | 42.0 | 37.7 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 34% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 41.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 30.1 | 28.5 | 28.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,086 | $4,368 | $4,810 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 16% | 16% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 35% | 41% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 36% | 48% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.8 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.3 | 7.9 |
| African-American | 20.4 | 16.1 |
| Asian | 1.0 | 0.8 |
| Latino | 6.1 | 5.2 |
| Native American | 10.3 | 17.6 |
| White | 8.4 | 9.6 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 48,825 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 94.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 59 | 2 |
| Deaths | 12 | 1 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2,981 | 473 |
| Deaths | 34 | 10 |

## San Bernardino County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 34 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 31 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 41 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 39 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 50 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 30 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 38 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 17 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 25 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 25 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 48 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 18 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 35 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 46 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 33 / 37 |
| Teen births | 44 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 48 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 42 / 57 |
| Average class size | 56 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 47 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 54 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 49 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 42 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 33 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 26 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 32 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 19 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 23 / 44 |

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The children of

# San Diego County

## County Highlights

San Diego County is one of the state's largest and fastest growing counties. Its average class size is slightly above the state average. The county's third grade reading and math test scores are among the highest in the state. The county's teen birth rate is lower than the state average. Compared to other counties, expectant mothers are somewhat less likely to receive prenatal care.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2,823,630 | 773,813 | 284,731 | 100% |
| African-American | 172,955 | 56,355 | 19,820 | 7% |
| Asian | 245,742 | 73,212 | 27,554 | 10% |
| Latino | 681,591 | 267,313 | 113,771 | 40% |
| Native American | 15,947 | 4,062 | 1,383 | <1% |
| White | 1,707,395 | 372,871 | 122,203 | 43% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 43,255

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 22.7% | 28.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.9% | 12.2% |
| African-American | 34.9% | 38.7% |
| Asian | 13.1% | 10.0% |
| Latino | 14.6% | 13.7% |
| Native American | 15.8% | 15.0% |
| White | 6.3% | 7.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 77,621 |
| Percent of all eligible | 64.9% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $691 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 72.1% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11,214 | 25.9% |
| African-American | 573 | 19.3% |
| Asian | 561 | 12.7% |
| Latino | 8,788 | 49.5% |
| Native American | 65 | 26.4% |
| White | 1,216 | 6.9% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $598 | NA | $599 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $425 | NA | $421 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 3% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 29% | 41% | 64% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $78 | $87 | $77 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6% | 5.5% | 5.6% |
| African-American | 6.0% | 4.7% | 5.3% |
| Asian | 4.0% | 3.6% | 3.8% |
| Latino | 11.5% | 9.3% | 9.4% |
| Native American | 5.2% | 7.8% | 6.5% |
| White | 2.7% | 2.2% | 2.4% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 5.8% | 5.8% |
| African-American | 10.0% | 10.5% | 10.6% |
| Asian | 6.8% | 7.5% | 6.7% |
| Latino | 4.9% | 4.9% | 5.3% |
| Native American | 5.2% | 6.6% | 2.8% |
| White | 5.2% | 5.5% | 5.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.9 | 5.4 | 5.5 |
| African-American | 10.8 | 10.6 | 14.5 |
| Asian | 2.7 | 5.1 | 3.4 |
| Latino | 4.7 | 4.4 | 5.5 |
| Native American | 8.1 | 4.1 | 4.1 |
| White | 4.6 | 5.6 | 4.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 62.8 | 59.4 | 49.3 |
| African-American | 93.9 | 81.5 | 76.5 |
| Asian | 40.0 | 34.7 | 29.6 |
| Latino | 122.9 | 125.4 | 102.1 |
| Native American | 74.9 | 82.1 | 91.9 |
| White | 31.6 | 26.6 | 20.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 61% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 52.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.4 | 27.6 | 27.5 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,383 | $4,695 | $5,052 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 22% | 22% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 54% | 63% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 56% | 68% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.0 | 8.4 |
| African-American | 32.3 | 32.3 |
| Asian | 1.8 | 1.9 |
| Latino | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| Native American | 37.6 | 50.8 |
| White | 6.6 | 7.7 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 84,766 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 116.4 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 45 | 1 |
| Deaths | 14 | 2 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3,781 | 554 |
| Deaths | 32 | 4 |

## San Diego County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 32 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 42 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 23 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 21 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 26 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 41 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 26 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 36 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 48 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 34 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 46 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 29 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 39 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 27 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 12 / 37 |
| Teen births | 29 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 28 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 22 / 57 |
| Average class size | 52 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 21 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 11 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 4 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 43 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 29 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate | 32 / 57 |
| Foster care months in placement | 29 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 39 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 10 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 8 / 44 |

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The children of

# San Francisco County

## County Highlights

One of the state's fastest growing counties, San Francisco County is an expensive place for families, with rent and child care costs among the state's highest. San Francisco has one of the best rates among the counties of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and among the lowest average infant mortality rates, although the rate for African-American infants is well above the state average for African-American infants. San Francisco has one of the lowest rates of child abuse reports and one of the highest foster care rates.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 784,624 | 148,870 | 53,932 | 100% |
| African-American | 78,447 | 20,089 | 6,389 | 12% |
| Asian | 259,087 | 55,636 | 19,450 | 36% |
| Latino | 123,828 | 32,083 | 12,307 | 23% |
| Native American | 2,714 | 395 | 114 | <1% |
| White | 320,548 | 40,667 | 15,672 | 29% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 8,196

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 20.6% | 22.3% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.9% | 9.3% |
| African-American | 29.1% | 35.4% |
| Asian | 9.1% | 6.5% |
| Latino | 6.5% | 6.8% |
| Native American | 9.9% | 14.9% |
| White | 4.4% | 4.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 13,323 |
| Percent of all eligible | 74.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $987 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 103.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 1,711 | 20.9% |
| African-American | 181 | 23.1% |
| Asian | 526 | 18.8% |
| Latino | 878 | 45.4% |
| Native American | 4 | 20.0% |
| White | 118 | 4.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $780 | NA | $922 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $542 | NA | $623 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 3% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 78% | 79% | 81% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $71 | $72 | $77 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.6% | 2.5% | 3.0% |
| African-American | 9.2% | 4.6% | 7.3% |
| Asian | 2.7% | 1.9% | 2.3% |
| Latino | 4.6% | 4.0% | 4.2% |
| Native American | 14.3% | 13.3% | 5.0% |
| White | 1.7% | 1.4% | 1.5% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.1% | 6.7% | 6.6% |
| African-American | 15.4% | 15.1% | 10.1% |
| Asian | 5.8% | 6.4% | 6.8% |
| Latino | 5.5% | 5.6% | 6.4% |
| Native American | 9.5% | 6.7% | 5.0% |
| White | 6.5% | 5.0% | 5.4% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| African-American | 10.8 | 13.6 | 17.8 |
| Asian | 3.7 | 2.0 | 3.6 |
| Latino | 5.8 | 7.4 | 4.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 0.4 | 3.1 | 1.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 40.6 | 35.7 | 35.2 |
| African-American | 81.8 | 74.5 | 64.5 |
| Asian | 13.9 | 10.6 | 13.4 |
| Latino | 84.8 | 77.3 | 79.4 |
| Native American | 64.5 | 52.6 | 35.7 |
| White | 20.1 | 15.7 | 14.4 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 62% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 48.3% | NA |
| Average class size | 25.1 | 24.7 | 26.0 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,839 | $5,403 | $5,698 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 32% | 31% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 47% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 51% | 56% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 9.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 6.1 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 22.4 | 18.2 |
| African-American | 117.6 | 103.1 |
| Asian | 2.5 | 2.6 |
| Latino | 11.6 | 8.0 |
| Native American | 82.9 | 85.5 |
| White | 9.6 | 9.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 7,929 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 55.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 13 | 0 |
| Deaths | 3 | 1 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 686 | 121 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## San Francisco County Rankings

| Family Economics |  |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 29 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 21 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 20 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 12 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 19 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 55 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 14 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 38 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 52 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 33 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 8 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 38 / 48 |

| Health |  |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 11 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 48 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 5 / 37 |
| Teen births | 9 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 25 / 58 |

| Education |  |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 11 / 57 |
| Average class size | 21 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 8 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 23 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 24 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 5 / 56 |

| Safety |  |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 57 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 48 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 5 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 9 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 19 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# San Joaquin County

## County Highlights

San Joaquin County has a higher percentage of poor children than the state average. San Joaquin has one of the highest percentages of low birthweight births and births to teens among counties. The county has a better record than most in Head Start enrollment among eligible preschoolers. The county decreased its average class size from 1997 to 1998.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 554,263 | 167,900 | 56,020 | 100% |
| African-American | 29,438 | 10,277 | 3,825 | 7% |
| Asian | 78,224 | 30,580 | 9,173 | 16% |
| Latino | 141,014 | 52,285 | 20,208 | 36% |
| Native American | 4,005 | 1,110 | 406 | 1% |
| White | 301,582 | 73,648 | 22,408 | 40% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 8,719

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 27.2% | 29.1% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 24.1% | 26.2% |
| African-American | 54.1% | 62.9% |
| Asian | 42.3% | 33.5% |
| Latino | 22.4% | 25.2% |
| Native American | 20.6% | 19.7% |
| White | 13.7% | 18.0% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 13,767 |
| Percent of all eligible | 57.2% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $581 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 60.6% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 2,638 | 30.3% |
| African-American | 177 | 26.6% |
| Asian | 457 | 37.6% |
| Latino | 1,557 | 45.5% |
| Native American | 16 | 20.0% |
| White | 428 | 12.9% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $542 | NA | $486 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $373 | NA | $367 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 5% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 64% | 72% | 72% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $71 | $84 | $89 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.7% | 5.4% | 5.6% |
| African-American | 7.0% | 6.0% | 7.1% |
| Asian | 2.9% | 4.1% | 4.8% |
| Latino | 7.3% | 7.6% | 7.5% |
| Native American | 7.6% | 6.9% | 6.3% |
| White | 4.9% | 3.4% | 3.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.3% | 6.6% | 6.5% |
| African-American | 11.0% | 13.3% | 14.1% |
| Asian | 7.0% | 7.2% | 6.9% |
| Latino | 5.4% | 5.6% | 5.3% |
| Native American | 5.1% | 12.1% | 6.3% |
| White | 6.0% | 6.1% | 6.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.4 | 7.6 | 7.2 |
| African-American | 6.2 | 23.5 | 21.1 |
| Asian | 3.8 | 4.8 | 6.6 |
| Latino | 4.2 | 7.1 | 5.6 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 9.6 | 6.5 | 6.7 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 78.8 | 68.5 | 68.0 |
| African-American | 163.8 | 124.1 | 137.9 |
| Asian | 57.1 | 49.0 | 49.7 |
| Latino | 120.3 | 108.9 | 112.9 |
| Native American | 153.2 | 80.9 | 119.7 |
| White | 50.1 | 43.9 | 38.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 40% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 55.3% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.4 | 27.3 | 26.7 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,197 | $4,550 | $4,877 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 22% | 21% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 38% | 41% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 38% | 47% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 2.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.7 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.9 | 9.2 |
| African-American | 42.8 | 39.2 |
| Asian | 1.5 | 1.6 |
| Latino | 6.5 | 6.9 |
| Native American | 8.2 | 0.0 |
| White | 9.0 | 9.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 13,668 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 84.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 33 | 0 |
| Deaths | 10 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,167 | 178 |
| Deaths | 14 | 2 |

## San Joaquin County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 46 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 44 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 47 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 44 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 44 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 29 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 34 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 16 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 21 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 17 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 21 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 26 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 34 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 43 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 29 / 37 |
| Teen births | 43 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 41 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 18 / 57 |
| Average class size | 45 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 38 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 54 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 47 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 58 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 46 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 37 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 34 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 24 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 28 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 38 / 44 |

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The children of

# San Luis Obispo County

## County Highlights

San Luis Obispo County is one of the ten counties with the highest ranks in indicators of young child well-being. The county's third graders score among the top counties in math and reading tests. The county's infant mortality rate is one of the lowest. San Luis Obispo has one of the higher rates of child abuse reports and has a lower than average rate of children in foster care.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 241,169 | 53,941 | 16,403 | 100% |
| African-American | 4,894 | 1,024 | 211 | 1% |
| Asian | 6,887 | 1,298 | 452 | 3% |
| Latino | 34,957 | 11,425 | 4,324 | 26% |
| Native American | 1,672 | 297 | 67 | <1% |
| White | 192,759 | 39,897 | 11,349 | 69% |

| | |
|---|---|
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | 2,491 |

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 16.7% | 20.1% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.5% | 10.8% |
| African-American | 17.7% | 32.7% |
| Asian | 5.7% | 6.6% |
| Latino | 12.0% | 12.9% |
| Native American | 7.4% | 6.0% |
| White | 7.3% | 9.8% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2,740 |
| Percent of all eligible | 48.6% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $714 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 74.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 524 | 21.0% |
| African-American | 1 | 5.6% |
| Asian | 4 | 5.7% |
| Latino | 383 | 55.1% |
| Native American | 2 | 25.0% |
| White | 134 | 7.9% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $407 | NA | $322 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $277 | NA | $326 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 1% | NA | 1% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 85% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $116 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0% | 4.1% | 3.3% |
| African-American | 8.3% | 10.7% | 11.1% |
| Asian | 1.3% | 2.8% | 4.3% |
| Latino | 8.5% | 7.4% | 6.6% |
| Native American | 6.3% | 12.5% | 0.0% |
| White | 3.8% | 2.6% | 1.8% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.6% | 5.5% | 5.4% |
| African-American | 4.2% | 14.3% | 11.1% |
| Asian | 8.8% | 8.5% | 8.6% |
| Latino | 4.2% | 6.0% | 6.0% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 0.0% | 12.5% |
| White | 4.4% | 5.0% | 4.9% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.8 | 4.4 | 6.0 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 35.7 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 12.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 4.3 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.3 | 4.2 | 7.1 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 33.3 | 28.9 | 27.1 |
| African-American | 53.7 | 12.4 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 7.1 | 0.0 | 6.3 |
| Latino | 89.4 | 91.2 | 84.4 |
| Native American | 88.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 22.8 | 18.9 | 17.8 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 82% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 47.8% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.1 | 25.9 | 25.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,315 | $4,735 | $4,953 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 8% | 8% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. |  | 60% | 68% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. |  | 56% | 68% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) |  |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 10.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 3.9 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.6 | 6.8 |
| African-American | 18.8 | 9.1 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.2 | 4.0 |
| Native American | 3.2 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.9 | 8.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) |  |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 7,774 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 149.4 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 3 | 1 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 318 | 34 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## San Luis Obispo County Rankings

### Family Economics

|  |  |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 17 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 18 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 13 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 16 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 53 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 44 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 18 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 2 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 13 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 45 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

### Health

|  |  |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 24 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 10 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 6 / 37 |
| Teen births | 3 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 4 / 58 |

### Education

|  |  |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 27 / 57 |
| Average class size | 24 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 23 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 3 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 4 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 18 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 12 / 56 |

### Safety

|  |  |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 27 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 20 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 46 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 22 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 7 / 44 |

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The children of

# San Mateo County

## County Highlights

San Mateo County is one of the ten counties with the highest ranks in indicators of young child well-being. San Mateo has nearly the lowest percentage among counties of poor and very poor children. The county's rate of child abuse reports and of children in foster care are among the state's lowest. San Mateo is an expensive area for families, with high child care and rental costs.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 723,524 | 176,132 | 62,490 | 100% |
| African-American | 33,788 | 8,625 | 2,432 | 4% |
| Asian | 146,615 | 39,418 | 14,254 | 23% |
| Latino | 159,835 | 54,516 | 21,086 | 34% |
| Native American | 3,027 | 591 | 156 | <1% |
| White | 380,259 | 72,982 | 24,562 | 39% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | 10,050 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 9.6% | 11.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.2% | 3.6% |
| African-American | 15.7% | 19.4% |
| Asian | 1.5% | 1.6% |
| Latino | 4.6% | 5.4% |
| Native American | 2.7% | 2.6% |
| White | 1.6% | 1.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 9,018 |
| Percent of all eligible | 61.3% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $987 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 103.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 2,007 | 20.0% |
| African-American | 57 | 16.1% |
| Asian | 154 | 6.7% |
| Latino | 1,642 | 50.7% |
| Native American | 6 | 33.3% |
| White | 135 | 3.3% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $745 | NA | $835 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $485 | NA | $575 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 5% | NA | 5% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 51% | 58% | 72% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $108 | $119 | $122 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.2% | 2.8% | 3.2% |
| African-American | 5.5% | 4.8% | 3.7% |
| Asian | 4.2% | 3.8% | 4.6% |
| Latino | 3.6% | 3.7% | 3.9% |
| Native American | 10.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 2.1% | 1.6% | 1.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.9% | 5.7% | 5.9% |
| African-American | 14.8% | 12.0% | 11.8% |
| Asian | 5.8% | 7.1% | 7.0% |
| Latino | 5.8% | 4.8% | 5.2% |
| Native American | 5.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 5.0% | 5.3% | 5.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.1 | 4.0 | 5.1 |
| African-American | 20.5 | 12.0 | 2.8 |
| Asian | 5.1 | 3.1 | 2.6 |
| Latino | 4.2 | 3.4 | 5.9 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.3 | 4.3 | 6.2 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 40.0 | 37.6 | 35.0 |
| African-American | 62.2 | 57.9 | 51.7 |
| Asian | 17.9 | 18.4 | 17.9 |
| Latino | 95.2 | 91.3 | 83.2 |
| Native American | 12.8 | 26.3 | 52.6 |
| White | 15.9 | 12.1 | 10.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 76% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 46.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.2 | 26.9 | 26.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,444 | $4,686 | $5,058 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 21% | 21% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 57% | 63% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 56% | 65% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 9.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 3.7 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.7 | 2.8 |
| African-American | 32.2 | 26.7 |
| Asian | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Latino | 2.8 | 2.2 |
| Native American | 5.2 | 0.0 |
| White | 2.5 | 2.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 6,803 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 40.8 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 9 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 745 | 89 |
| Deaths | 4 | 2 |

## San Mateo County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 2 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 3 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 2 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 2 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 33 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 55 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 16 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 36 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 49 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 16 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 34 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 8 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 12 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 29 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 7 / 37 |
| Teen births | 10 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 9 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 31 / 57 |
| Average class size | 37 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 19 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 11 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 8 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 23 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 13 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 6 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 4 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 3 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 2 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 1 / 44 |

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The children of

# Santa Barbara County

## County Highlights

Santa Barbara County has one of the state's lowest foster care rates, while the rate of child abuse reports is slightly above the state average. The county's third graders' test scores in reading and math are above the state average. Santa Barbara has a higher percentage of infants born to mothers with less than a high school education compared to the state as a whole.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 404,526 | 104,459 | 37,247 | 100% |
| African-American | 10,136 | 2,663 | 788 | 2% |
| Asian | 18,930 | 4,720 | 1,697 | 5% |
| Latino | 127,911 | 49,312 | 20,381 | 55% |
| Native American | 2,576 | 483 | 129 | <1% |
| White | 244,973 | 47,281 | 14,252 | 38% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 5,789

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 19.3% | 22.3% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.6% | 11.4% |
| African-American | 25.3% | 32.1% |
| Asian | 8.5% | 7.5% |
| Latino | 12.2% | 13.2% |
| Native American | 11.8% | 14.7% |
| White | 6.0% | 8.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 10,698 |
| Percent of all eligible | 65.6% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $852 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 88.9% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 2,185 | 37.7% |
| African-American | 13 | 12.5% |
| Asian | 39 | 16.3% |
| Latino | 1,994 | 60.3% |
| Native American | 1 | 4.2% |
| White | 138 | 6.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $628 | NA | $669 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $399 | NA | $459 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 3% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 76% | 87% | 89% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $64 | $69 | $70 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.6% | 4.1% | 3.6% |
| African American | 5.9% | 4.2% | 3.8% |
| Asian | 5.3% | 4.3% | 2.1% |
| Latino | 6.2% | 5.6% | 5.0% |
| Native American | 21.1% | 5.6% | 0.0% |
| White | 2.2% | 1.8% | 1.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.7% | 6.1% | 5.8% |
| African American | 5.9% | 11.9% | 8.7% |
| Asian | 6.1% | 7.4% | 6.7% |
| Latino | 5.6% | 6.5% | 5.8% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 5.6% | 4.2% |
| White | 5.9% | 5.0% | 5.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7 | 3.7 | 4.5 |
| African American | 0.0 | 33.9 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 8.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 7.0 | 3.3 | 5.4 |
| Native American | 52.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.2 | 3.1 | 3.8 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 56.4 | 56.2 | 53.0 |
| African American | 38.1 | 52.3 | 38.3 |
| Asian | 29.9 | 25.4 | 21.4 |
| Latino | 130.9 | 130.5 | 120.4 |
| Native American | 74.6 | 12.8 | 50.6 |
| White | 18.0 | 18.3 | 17.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 60% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 42.3% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.2 | 26.1 | 25.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,153 | $4,495 | $4,934 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 26% | 27% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 54% | 60% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 52% | 64% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 6.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.4 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.6 | 2.1 |
| African-American | 20.0 | 9.9 |
| Asian | 1.1 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 3.0 | 1.9 |
| Native American | 10.2 | 15.4 |
| White | 3.5 | 2.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 9,328 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 93.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 448 | 70 |
| Deaths | 5 | 2 |

## Santa Barbara County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 25 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 22 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 16 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 14 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 24 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 52 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 46 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 30 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 42 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 36 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 4 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 45 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 23 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 30 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 11 / 37 |
| Teen births | 28 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 30 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 40 / 57 |
| Average class size | 25 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 40 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 18 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 10 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 36 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 48 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 4 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 1 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 26 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 4 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 6 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Santa Clara County

## County Highlights

Santa Clara County has one of the lowest percentages among counties of young children living in poverty. For those children eligible for the nutrition program WIC, the county has one of the lowest rates of participation. The county has one of the higher percentages of child care center spaces designated for infants, yet costs for child care are among the state's highest. The county's rental costs are also among the state's highest. The county's third graders' test scores are among the best in the state.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 1,700,976 | 442,072 | 159,845 | 100% |
| African-American | 60,929 | 16,463 | 5,344 | 3% |
| Asian | 384,503 | 113,015 | 42,294 | 26% |
| Latino | 404,520 | 141,621 | 56,234 | 35% |
| Native American | 5,311 | 1,009 | 370 | <1% |
| White | 845,713 | 169,964 | 55,603 | 35% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 26,416

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.4% | 15.1% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.6% | 7.9% |
| African-American | 13.5% | 17.1% |
| Asian | 9.6% | 6.3% |
| Latino | 11.0% | 12.4% |
| Native American | 16.7% | 17.0% |
| White | 2.9% | 3.5% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 17,498 |
| Percent of all eligible | 42.7% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $987 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 103.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5,331 | 20.2% |
| African-American | 99 | 12.8% |
| Asian | 531 | 7.4% |
| Latino | 4,245 | 45.6% |
| Native American | 23 | 29.5% |
| White | 417 | 4.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $702 | NA | $901 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $490 | NA | $608 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 7% | NA | 7% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 56% | 64% | 74% |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $92 | $99 | $107 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.7% | 3.0% | 2.6% |
| African-American | 3.8% | 3.1% | 2.6% |
| Asian | 3.4% | 3.0% | 2.0% |
| Latino | 6.3% | 4.7% | 4.2% |
| Native American | 5.9% | 3.5% | 6.4% |
| White | 1.5% | 1.3% | 1.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.1% | 6.0% | 5.9% |
| African American | 10.6% | 9.4% | 10.7% |
| Asian | 6.6% | 6.8% | 6.5% |
| Latino | 5.8% | 5.8% | 5.3% |
| Native American | 7.1% | 9.3% | 7.7% |
| White | 5.4% | 5.3% | 5.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.6 |
| African-American | 11.9 | 17.8 | 16.8 |
| Asian | 4.2 | 2.5 | 3.6 |
| Latino | 5.0 | 7.1 | 6.8 |
| Native American | 23.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.3 | 4.1 | 5.1 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 49.6 | 46.0 | 44.6 |
| African American | 60.9 | 55.7 | 49.7 |
| Asian | 18.4 | 16.1 | 16.1 |
| Latino | 113.4 | 110.2 | 103.7 |
| Native American | 45.2 | 58.5 | 80.5 |
| White | 21.9 | 16.5 | 16.5 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 54% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 44.9% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,442 | $4,747 | $5,169 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 23% | 22% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 63% | 65% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 62% | 68% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.6 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.3 | 5.7 |
| African-American | 32.6 | 25.9 |
| Asian | 1.6 | 1.1 |
| Latino | 10.3 | 7.8 |
| Native American | 26.3 | 13.9 |
| White | 5.8 | 4.9 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 22,700 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 54.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 18 | 0 |
| Deaths | 8 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,969 | 277 |
| Deaths | 14 | 1 |

## Santa Clara County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 11 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 8 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 12 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 10 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 55 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 55 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 17 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 37 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 50 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 7 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 28 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 15 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 13/ 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 32 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 13 / 37 |
| Teen births | 19 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 35 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 34 / 57 |
| Average class size | 48 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 16 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 7 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 4 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 41 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 17 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 28 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 18 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 9 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 7 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 12 / 44 |

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The children of

# Santa Cruz County

## County Highlights

Santa Cruz County has one of the lowest percentages among counties of infants born at low birthweight. The county's rate of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care has improved each year from 1995 to 1997. Its teen birth rate declined during this time. Compared to the state average, Santa Cruz children eligible for the nutrition program WIC are less likely to participate. Santa Cruz has more public library hours and preschool programs available per child than the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 251,475 | 63,948 | 21,745 | 100% |
| African-American | 2,741 | 733 | 168 | 1% |
| Asian | 9,978 | 2,290 | 745 | 3% |
| Latino | 59,907 | 24,546 | 10,423 | 48% |
| Native American | 1,378 | 246 | 56 | <1% |
| White | 177,471 | 36,133 | 10,353 | 48% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 3,559

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 17.8% | 21.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 7.6% | 9.2% |
| African-American | 21.1% | 32.7% |
| Asian | 4.5% | 4.7% |
| Latino | 11.3% | 11.6% |
| Native American | 7.7% | 5.4% |
| White | 5.0% | 6.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 4,992 |
| Percent of all eligible | 60.2% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $985 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 102.8% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 1,166 | 32.8% |
| African-American | 5 | 25.0% |
| Asian | 6 | 6.3% |
| Latino | 1,054 | 60.9% |
| Native American | 2 | 14.3% |
| White | 93 | 5.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $698 | NA | $717 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $490 | NA | $525 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 6% | NA | 6% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 45% | 65% | 66% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $133 | $153 | $150 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.9% | 3.6% | 2.3% |
| African-American | 11.1% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Asian | 3.2% | 5.1% | 3.1% |
| Latino | 6.0% | 5.2% | 3.0% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 1.8% | 2.1% | 1.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.7% | 4.4% | 5.1% |
| African-American | 14.8% | 4.8% | 10.0% |
| Asian | 4.3% | 4.3% | 7.3% |
| Latino | 4.9% | 4.0% | 4.8% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 9.1% | 7.1% |
| White | 4.5% | 4.5% | 5.1% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.7 | 6.1 | 4.8 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 47.6 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 8.5 | 10.4 |
| Latino | 4.2 | 6.6 | 4.6 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.7 | 5.2 | 4.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 52.7 | 45.8 | 41.5 |
| African-American | 43.1 | 7.9 | 36.8 |
| Asian | 9.9 | 2.4 | 4.5 |
| Latino | 135.3 | 129.8 | 117.3 |
| Native American | 44.4 | 17.5 | 0.0 |
| White | 22.6 | 16.1 | 13.5 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 62% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 53.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.0 | 27.8 | 27.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,267 | $4,633 | $4,927 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 27% | 27% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 58% | 62% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 59% | 67% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 9.4 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 2.1 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.6 | 5.9 |
| African-American | 23.3 | 34.9 |
| Asian | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Latino | 6.7 | 5.2 |
| Native American | 3.9 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.5 | 6.4 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 5,652 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 91.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 326 | 45 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## Santa Cruz County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 22 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 20 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 11 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 11 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 36 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 54 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 41 / 58 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 33 / 41 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 46 / 55 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 11 / 42 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 37 / 58 |
| Child support: $ collected | 3 / 58 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 16 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 5 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 10 / 37 |
| Teen births | 18 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 25 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 20 / 57 |
| Average class size | 51 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 27 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 15 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 7 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 22 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 22 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 24 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 16 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 28 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 13 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 10 / 44 |

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The children of

# Shasta County

## County Highlights

Shasta County has a higher percentage of poor and very poor children than the state average. The county has one of the best rates of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and its percent of infants born at low birthweight has improved each year from 1995 to 1997. The county has one of the lower percentages of children eligible for Head Start enrolled in this preschool program.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 166,807 | 43,576 | 12,969 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,197 | 403 | 116 | 1% |
| Asian | 4,089 | 1,716 | 513 | 4% |
| Latino | 7,515 | 2,898 | 960 | 7% |
| Native American | 4,172 | 1,273 | 454 | 4% |
| White | 149,834 | 37,286 | 10,926 | 84% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) | 2,000 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.0% | 27.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 22.2% | 27.2% |
| African-American | 47.1% | 78.4% |
| Asian | 51.0% | 37.6% |
| Latino | 10.8% | 15.1% |
| Native American | 28.3% | 29.1% |
| White | 21.3% | 27.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 3,625 |
| Percent of all eligible | 57.3% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $510 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 53.2% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 453 | 22.7% |
| African-American | 8 | 34.8% |
| Asian | 11 | 19.6% |
| Latino | 59 | 41.8% |
| Native American | 26 | 29.5% |
| White | 348 | 20.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $425 | NA | $480 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $273 | NA | $361 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 3% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 76% | 68% | 72% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $65 | $70 | $73 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.8% | 2.4% | 2.5% |
| African-American | 13.3% | 17.4% | 4.3% |
| Asian | 4.3% | 1.6% | 1.8% |
| Latino | 1.4% | 6.1% | 4.3% |
| Native American | 9.1% | 4.7% | 6.8% |
| White | 3.7% | 1.8% | 2.1% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 5.0% | 4.8% |
| African-American | 13.3% | 4.3% | 8.7% |
| Asian | 10.0% | 6.5% | 8.9% |
| Latino | 6.2% | 5.4% | 5.0% |
| Native American | 1.3% | 9.3% | 4.5% |
| White | 5.5% | 4.7% | 4.6% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.9 | 5.9 | 8.5 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.8 | 6.8 | 7.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 7.5 | 6.4 | 9.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 52.7 | 55.0 | 55.0 |
| African-American | 115.4 | 108.7 | 235.3 |
| Asian | 62.5 | 63.5 | 19.7 |
| Latino | 87.6 | 97.2 | 106.1 |
| Native American | 111.1 | 58.5 | 108.3 |
| White | 47.2 | 51.1 | 49.5 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 79% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 38.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.6 | 26.2 | 25.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,144 | $4,629 | $4,994 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 3% | 3% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 47% | 49% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 42% | 49% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 2.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.7 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 10.6 | 11.6 |
| African-American | 62.0 | 104.3 |
| Asian | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 5.3 | 7.3 |
| Native American | 41.2 | 48.3 |
| White | 9.9 | 10.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 6,337 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 146.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 311 | 39 |
| Deaths | 4 | 1 |

## Shasta County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 35 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 39 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 45 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 47 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 43 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 15 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 20 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 14 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 20 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 26 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 17 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 43 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 8 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 11 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 28 / 37 |
| Teen births | 25 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 5 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 52 / 57 |
| Average class size | 27 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 32 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 36 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 40 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 57 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 44 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 40 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 40 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 48 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 27 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 24 / 44 |

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The children of

# Sierra County

## County Highlights

Sierra County is the second smallest of California's counties. The county has the lowest percentage among counties of poor young children and one of the highest rates of children eligible for the nutrition program WIC receiving such assistance. The county's average class size is nearly the smallest. The county's third-grade reading scores are substantially above the state average, while the math scores are slightly above.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3,403 | 701 | 122 | 100% |
| African-American | 6 | 2 | 0 | 0% |
| Asian | 10 | 2 | 2 | 2% |
| Latino | 196 | 58 | 11 | 9% |
| Native American | 60 | 15 | 0 | 0% |
| White | 3,131 | 624 | 109 | 89% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 12

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 10.6% | 9.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 10.7% | 22.1% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 6.9% | 9.1% |
| Native American | 26.7% | NS |
| White | 9.9% | 20.2% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 45 |
| Percent of all eligible | 125.0% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $497 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 51.9% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6 | 50.0% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 5 | 45.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | $282 | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 90% | 88% | 87% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $110 | $138 | $125 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.3% | 0.0% | 8.3% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 4.8% | 0.0% | 0.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 23.1 | 7.3 | 14.8 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 142.9 |
| Native American | NS | NS | NS |
| White | 25.6 | 8.0 | 7.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 67% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 100.0% | NA |
| Average class size | 16.9 | 16.5 | 15.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $6,018 | $6,477 | $2,702 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 0% | 0% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 54% | 69% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 56% | 58% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 71.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | NA |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.5 | 8.3 |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 12.0 | 9.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 87 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 111.8 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 17 | 2 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Sierra County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 4 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 1 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 15 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 36 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 2/ 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 11 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | NR / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | NA / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 1 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 7 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | NR / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 18 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 1 / 57 |
| Average class size | 2 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 11 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 2 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 21 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 3 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | a / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 51 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 35 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | NR / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Siskiyou County

## County Highlights

Siskiyou County has one of the highest young child poverty rates among the counties and a higher rate of young children receiving TANF. Siskiyou has one of the better rates of infants born to mothers who have at least a high school education. The rate of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care improved each year from 1995 to 1997. Siskiyou has a higher than average rate of child abuse reports and children in foster care.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 44,505 | 10,491 | 2,954 | 100% |
| African-American | 697 | 179 | 35 | 1% |
| Asian | 405 | 134 | 44 | 1% |
| Latino | 3,154 | 1,208 | 478 | 16% |
| Native American | 1,989 | 555 | 128 | 4% |
| White | 38,260 | 8,415 | 2,269 | 77% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 425

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 25.8% | 32.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 21.1% | 23.8% |
| African-American | 38.5% | 65.7% |
| Asian | 127.6% | 54.5% |
| Latino | 12.3% | 12.6% |
| Native American | 19.3% | 23.4% |
| White | 20.4% | 25.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 973 |
| Percent of all eligible | 62.4% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 86 | 20.2% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 9 | 15.3% |
| Native American | 13 | 65.0% |
| White | 59 | 17.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $381 | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $282 | NA | $326 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 2% | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 76% | 77% | 80% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $73 | $85 | $97 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.5% | 5.8% | 3.8% |
| African-American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 0.0% | NS |
| Latino | 8.8% | 7.8% | 3.4% |
| Native American | 25.0% | 8.7% | 20.0% |
| White | 6.7% | 5.4% | 2.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.5% | 5.6% | 5.6% |
| African-American | NS | 14.3% | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | 12.5% | NS |
| Latino | 6.6% | 4.4% | 3.4% |
| Native American | 16.7% | 4.3% | 0.0% |
| White | 7.5% | 5.7% | 6.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 10.2 | 5.6 | 7.1 |
| African-American | NS | 0.0 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | NS |
| Latino | 11.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 43.5 | 0.0 |
| White | 10.8 | 5.0 | 9.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 47.6 | 43.2 | 46.5 |
| African-American | 57.1 | 0.0 | 31.3 |
| Asian | 50.0 | 136.4 | 47.6 |
| Latino | 93.8 | 100.6 | 81.4 |
| Native American | 10.6 | 31.6 | 76.9 |
| White | 44.4 | 36.5 | 40.6 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 73% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 34.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 23.1 | 20.8 | 20.7 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,778 | $5,020 | $5,720 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 2% | 2% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 48% | 56% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 41% | 52% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 37.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 5.2 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 15.5 | 15.0 |
| African-American | 16.1 | 29.4 |
| Asian | 7.5 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 10.9 | 7.3 |
| Native American | 37.5 | 88.0 |
| White | 14.8 | 12.4 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 969 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 89.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 90 | 9 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

## Siskiyou County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 41 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 51 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 46 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 45 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 30 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 15 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 12 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 41 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 12 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 23 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 38 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 38 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 16 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 11 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 55 / 57 |
| Average class size | 7 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 9 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 22 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 9 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 7 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 55 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 46 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 37 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 36 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 25 / 44 |

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The children of

# Solano County

## County Highlights

Solano County has a lower than average percentage of young children in poverty and young children receiving TANF. While the county has improved its rate of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care, it has one of the higher rates of expectant mothers not receiving such care. The county has among the lowest rates of child abuse reports and children in foster care. Solano has fewer library hours available to young children compared to the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 384,847 | 111,755 | 35,730 | 100% |
| African-American | 53,112 | 16,534 | 5,392 | 15% |
| Asian | 54,231 | 16,767 | 5,518 | 15% |
| Latino | 57,510 | 20,146 | 7,096 | 20% |
| Native American | 2,640 | 649 | 201 | 1% |
| White | 217,354 | 57,659 | 17,523 | 49% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 5,475 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.5% | 16.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 12.2% | 15.2% |
| African-American | 37.7% | 46.1% |
| Asian | 6.8% | 7.2% |
| Latino | 10.0% | 12.4% |
| Native American | 9.9% | 10.9% |
| White | 7.2% | 9.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 7,003 |
| Percent of all eligible | 55.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $711 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 74.2% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 944 | 17.2% |
| African-American | 135 | 15.8% |
| Asian | 57 | 7.1% |
| Latino | 520 | 40.8% |
| Native American | 7 | 22.6% |
| White | 223 | 9.0% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $667 | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $455 | NA | $417 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 5% | NA | 4% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 56% | 64% | 69% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $78 | $86 | $93 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.6% | 7.0% | 5.9% |
| African-American | 11.7% | 9.7% | 8.8% |
| Asian | 8.7% | 5.5% | 5.6% |
| Latino | 10.2% | 8.3% | 7.1% |
| Native American | 10.5% | 13.5% | 16.1% |
| White | 7.0% | 5.9% | 4.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.3% | 6.3% | 6.4% |
| African-American | 10.3% | 8.9% | 9.4% |
| Asian | 7.7% | 7.6% | 8.7% |
| Latino | 5.3% | 5.9% | 4.9% |
| Native American | 5.3% | 5.4% | 3.2% |
| White | 5.2% | 5.2% | 5.3% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.1 | 7.1 | 6.4 |
| African-American | 9.7 | 17.1 | 8.2 |
| Asian | 5.9 | 2.3 | 3.7 |
| Latino | 6.0 | 2.5 | 5.5 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.2 | 7.6 | 7.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 53.7 | 52.4 | 47.3 |
| African-American | 75.0 | 76.2 | 73.6 |
| Asian | 36.2 | 37.8 | 28.6 |
| Latino | 80.9 | 84.0 | 100.2 |
| Native American | 52.6 | 29.1 | 72.7 |
| White | 43.9 | 39.9 | 28.2 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 60% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 47.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.9 | 26.8 | 26.8 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,098 | $4,379 | $4,671 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 9% | 9% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 48% | 53% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 44% | 53% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 3.4 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.2 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 4.5 | 3.0 |
| African-American | 14.6 | 10.0 |
| Asian | 0.8 | 0.6 |
| Latino | 1.7 | 1.0 |
| Native American | 6.1 | 5.2 |
| White | 3.7 | 2.5 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 5,676 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 51.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 6 | 0 |
| Deaths | 4 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 616 | 65 |
| Deaths | 4 | 2 |

## Solano County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 12 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 11 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 22 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 23 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 48 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 42 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 10 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 33 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 27 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 30 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 22 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 45 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 40 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 22 / 37 |
| Teen births | 22 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 30 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 29 / 57 |
| Average class size | 46 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 49 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 29 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 53 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 33 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 11 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 7 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 4 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 18 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 17 / 44 |

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The children of

# Sonoma County

## County Highlights

Sonoma County has a lower than average percentage of young children in poverty and young children receiving TANF. The county has one of the best rates of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and one of the lowest infant mortality rates. Among children eligible for the nutrition program WIC, Sonoma children are less likely to receive such benefits compared to children statewide. Sonoma has a lower rate of child abuse reports than the state average and one of the lowest foster care rates.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 441,349 | 109,899 | 34,379 | 100% |
| African-American | 6,675 | 2,230 | 652 | 2% |
| Asian | 14,675 | 4,435 | 1,439 | 4% |
| Latino | 57,030 | 21,942 | 9,020 | 26% |
| Native American | 4,087 | 1,154 | 400 | 1% |
| White | 358,882 | 80,138 | 22,868 | 67% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 5,409

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.3% | 16.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.4% | 7.7% |
| African-American | 25.3% | 31.0% |
| Asian | 15.3% | 9.0% |
| Latino | 6.9% | 7.9% |
| Native American | 24.1% | 20.5% |
| White | 5.0% | 6.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 6,199 |
| Percent of all eligible | 60.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $782 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 81.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 1,376 | 25.4% |
| African-American | 22 | 24.7% |
| Asian | 32 | 14.1% |
| Latino | 961 | 62.9% |
| Native American | 22 | 36.7% |
| White | 335 | 9.6% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $594 | NA | $593 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $459 | NA | $476 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 2% | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 75% | 81% | 83% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $85 | $101 | $106 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.5% | 1.9% | 2.0% |
| African-American | 3.5% | 2.4% | 3.4% |
| Asian | 3.0% | 1.8% | 1.8% |
| Latino | 3.4% | 3.2% | 2.7% |
| Native American | 9.5% | 4.2% | 5.0% |
| White | 1.9% | 1.3% | 1.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.5% | 5.4% | 4.9% |
| African-American | 11.6% | 11.8% | 11.2% |
| Asian | 7.4% | 7.4% | 6.6% |
| Latino | 5.2% | 4.3% | 4.0% |
| Native American | 5.4% | 6.9% | 8.3% |
| White | 5.5% | 5.6% | 5.0% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 5.0 | 0.0 | 4.4 |
| Latino | 7.0 | 5.8 | 2.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 13.9 | 0.0 |
| White | 3.6 | 3.7 | 5.2 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 41.9 | 37.5 | 37.7 |
| African-American | 70.0 | 52.2 | 43.8 |
| Asian | 40.2 | 21.7 | 28.7 |
| Latino | 128.5 | 120.0 | 113.1 |
| Native American | 120.3 | 127.4 | 105.3 |
| White | 23.7 | 20.7 | 22.4 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 73% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 49.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.5 | 26.3 | 26.2 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,161 | $4,621 | $4,991 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 12% | 12% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 60% | 65% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 56% | 62% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 8.1 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.3 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.9 | 3.7 |
| African-American | 21.2 | 23.9 |
| Asian | 0.9 | 0.7 |
| Latino | 3.3 | 0.9 |
| Native American | 19.9 | 12.7 |
| White | 3.5 | 4.2 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 7,184 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 67.1 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 5 | 0 |
| Deaths | 5 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 759 | 92 |
| Deaths | 6 | 2 |

## Sonoma County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 10 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 9 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 9 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 9 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 37 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 49 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 23 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 23 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 44 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 37 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 7 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 16 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 4 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 17 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 3 / 37 |
| Teen births | 13 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 11 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 24 / 57 |
| Average class size | 30 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 31 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 7 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 14 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 28 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 30 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 5 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 9 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 17 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 35 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 21 / 44 |

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The children of

# Stanislaus County

## County Highlights

Stanislaus County has a higher percentage of poor and very poor children compared to the state average. From 1995 to 1997, the county's percentage of infants born at low birthweight increased each year as did the county's infant mortality rate. During that time period, the rate of births to teens declined. The county has a slightly higher rate of child abuse reports than the state average and a substantially lower rate of children in foster care.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 434,835 | 134,660 | 44,765 | 100% |
| African-American | 8,267 | 2,935 | 1,009 | 2% |
| Asian | 26,931 | 10,693 | 2,982 | 7% |
| Latino | 108,454 | 45,128 | 17,687 | 40% |
| Native American | 4,152 | 1,129 | 447 | 1% |
| White | 287,031 | 74,775 | 22,640 | 51% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 6,790

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 24.6% | 27.9% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 18.4% | 20.7% |
| African-American | 52.4% | 61.1% |
| Asian | 32.8% | 23.3% |
| Latino | 19.0% | 20.8% |
| Native American | 11.9% | 13.6% |
| White | 14.7% | 18.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 11,802 |
| Percent of all eligible | 61.8% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $562 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 58.6% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 2,280 | 33.6% |
| African-American | 39 | 24.7% |
| Asian | 134 | 35.6% |
| Latino | 1,559 | 52.6% |
| Native American | 27 | 38.0% |
| White | 521 | 16.3% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $520 | NA | $481 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $390 | NA | $382 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 7% | NA | 7% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 70% | 75% | 77% |
| Money collected mo./case with order | $87 | $91 | $92 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.1% | 3.1% | 3.4% |
| African-American | 3.6% | 4.7% | 3.8% |
| Asian | 4.3% | 3.1% | 2.7% |
| Latino | 4.7% | 3.6% | 4.5% |
| Native American | 9.6% | 2.9% | 1.4% |
| White | 3.5% | 2.5% | 2.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.9% | 6.1% | 6.6% |
| African-American | 9.5% | 14.5% | 16.5% |
| Asian | 7.5% | 10.4% | 9.8% |
| Latino | 5.5% | 5.2% | 6.2% |
| Native American | 8.4% | 4.3% | 2.8% |
| White | 5.7% | 5.9% | 6.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.9 | 6.8 | 7.1 |
| African-American | 6.0 | 34.9 | 19.0 |
| Asian | 4.6 | 7.3 | 8.0 |
| Latino | 5.1 | 4.4 | 8.1 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 6.9 | 7.7 | 5.6 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 69.8 | 67.2 | 62.1 |
| African-American | 83.6 | 105.1 | 82.4 |
| Asian | 48.5 | 44.1 | 37.4 |
| Latino | 124.1 | 121.0 | 111.7 |
| Native American | 134.3 | 96.6 | 125.0 |
| White | 44.5 | 42.1 | 39.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 45% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 43.8% | NA |
| Average class size | 29.4 | 28.3 | 28.0 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,955 | $4,246 | $4,627 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 18% | 18% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 43% | 47% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 43% | 52% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0 | 4.4 |
| African-American | 23.4 | 19.6 |
| Asian | 0.8 | 0.7 |
| Latino | 4.1 | 3.1 |
| Native American | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.4 | 5.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 11,743 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 89.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 15 | 2 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 979 | 135 |
| Deaths | 6 | 0 |

## Stanislaus County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 38 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 41 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 38 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 37 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 32 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 26 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 39 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 15 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 24 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 6 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 16 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 20 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 20 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 37 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 24 / 37 |
| Teen births | 39 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 39 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 37 / 57 |
| Average class size | 55 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 56 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 39 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 31 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 39 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 27 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 19 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 15 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 21 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 33 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 37 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Sutter County

## County Highlights

Sutter County is a lower cost county for families, with low child care and rental prices. The county has one of the fewest child care spaces designated for infants among the counties. Sutter's average class size is slightly smaller than the state average; its third grade test scores are below the state average. Sutter has significantly more library hours available and preschool programs per child than the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 78,003 | 22,208 | 7,442 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,355 | 386 | 124 | 2% |
| Asian | 8,256 | 2,739 | 1,032 | 14% |
| Latino | 14,385 | 5,671 | 2,073 | 28% |
| Native American | 905 | 205 | 68 | 1% |
| White | 53,102 | 13,207 | 4,145 | 56% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 1,210

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 22.7% | 26.6% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 13.6% | 15.6% |
| African-American | 29.8% | 38.7% |
| Asian | 7.5% | 4.1% |
| Latino | 14.4% | 17.6% |
| Native American | 19.0% | 16.2% |
| White | 13.9% | 16.8% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2,193 |
| Percent of all eligible | 67.3% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $479 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 50.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 388 | 32.1% |
| African-American | 9 | 31.0% |
| Asian | 35 | 20.8% |
| Latino | 227 | 62.2% |
| Native American | 7 | 46.7% |
| White | 109 | 17.3% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $490 | NA | $439 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $368 | NA | $331 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 2% | NA | 2% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 62% | 68% | 68% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $72 | $78 | $77 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 7.3% | 6.0% | 6.9% |
| African-American | 5.6% | 6.7% | 6.9% |
| Asian | 8.5% | 4.5% | 4.2% |
| Latino | 9.6% | 9.2% | 9.6% |
| Native American | 26.7% | 7.1% | 20.0% |
| White | 5.4% | 4.8% | 5.7% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.5% | 6.6% | 6.0% |
| African-American | 0.0% | 20.0% | 3.4% |
| Asian | 9.1% | 5.1% | 11.3% |
| Latino | 3.9% | 3.7% | 4.9% |
| Native American | 6.7% | 7.1% | 13.3% |
| White | 3.7% | 8.1% | 5.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0 | 7.9 | 6.6 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 34.5 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.9 |
| Latino | 11.9 | 9.2 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.8 | 9.5 | 6.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 69.5 | 53.4 | 53.6 |
| African-American | 80.0 | 60.0 | 78.4 |
| Asian | 27.5 | 6.8 | 9.8 |
| Latino | 118.6 | 90.8 | 93.1 |
| Native American | 27.8 | 88.2 | 90.9 |
| White | 61.1 | 48.0 | 46.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 39% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 39.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.0 | 25.9 | 25.4 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,057 | $4,345 | $4,578 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 20% | 18% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 41% | 45% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 34% | 48% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 7.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 4.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 9.3 | 10.3 |
| African-American | 13.8 | 25.2 |
| Asian | 2.7 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.0 | 5.8 |
| Native American | 29.3 | 32.8 |
| White | 11.7 | 14.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 2,121 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 98.5 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 126 | 16 |
| Deaths | 1 | 0 |

## Sutter County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 32 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 34 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 24 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 24 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 20 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 8 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 32/ 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 7 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 14 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 42 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 24 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 34 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 42 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 25 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 25 / 37 |
| Teen births | 31 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 42 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 50 / 57 |
| Average class size | 22 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 55 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 46 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 31 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 8 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 34 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 31 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 33 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 30 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 20 / 44 |

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**The children of**

# Tehama County

## County Highlights

Tehama County has a substantially higher percentage of poor and very poor young children compared to the state average. The county improved from 1995 to 1997 in the percentage of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care and in the percentage of low birthweight infants. Teen births also declined in this period. Tehama has a higher rate of child abuse reports and children in foster care compared to the state average.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 55,118 | 14,246 | 4,468 | 100% |
| African-American | 311 | 75 | 23 | 1% |
| Asian | 371 | 100 | 44 | 1% |
| Latino | 7,192 | 3,179 | 1,278 | 29% |
| Native American | 897 | 271 | 101 | 2% |
| White | 46,347 | 10,621 | 3,022 | 68% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 627

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 27.7% | 29.9% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 21.0% | 25.0% |
| African-American | 80.0% | 60.9% |
| Asian | 29.0% | 22.7% |
| Latino | 14.3% | 15.9% |
| Native American | 17.7% | 19.8% |
| White | 22.6% | 28.9% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 1,623 |
| Percent of all eligible | 68.6% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 223 | 35.6% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | 127 | 69.0% |
| Native American | 6 | 60.0% |
| White | 87 | 20.7% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $390 | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $286 | NA | $340 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 1% | NA | 1% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 63% | 72% | 75% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $72 | $66 | $78 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4% | 5.1% | 4.8% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 9.1% | 11.1% | NS |
| Latino | 7.5% | 6.7% | 9.8% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 6.7% | 10.0% |
| White | 4.5% | 4.0% | 2.6% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 5.1% | 4.5% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 18.2% | 0.0% | NS |
| Latino | 4.8% | 6.7% | 4.3% |
| Native American | 0.0% | 0.0% | 10.0% |
| White | 7.4% | 4.7% | 4.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.9 | 3.0 | 6.4 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 | NS |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 9.7 | 2.2 | 9.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 67.6 | 57.7 | 53.5 |
| African-American | 166.7 | 100.0 | 333.3 |
| Asian | 95.2 | 87.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 151.8 | 101.6 | 101.8 |
| Native American | 166.7 | 100.0 | 129.0 |
| White | 48.5 | 47.1 | 40.5 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 54% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 56.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 26.0 | 24.9 | 24.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,234 | $4,648 | $5,044 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 9% | 8% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 43% | 48% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 38% | 48% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 6.6 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | NA |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 14.1 | 12.1 |
| African-American | 54.1 | 150.0 |
| Asian | 20.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 10.5 | 9.7 |
| Native American | 63.0 | 66.0 |
| White | 13.6 | 10.5 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 2,041 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 141.7 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 136 | 17 |
| Deaths | 5 | 1 |

## Tehama County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 48 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 47 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 42 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 43 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 17 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 42 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 17 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 44 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 19 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 40 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 28 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 21 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 36 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 35 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 16 / 57 |
| Average class size | 18 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 26 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 37 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 42 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 33 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | NA / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 49 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 32 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 49 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 50 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 43 / 44 |

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The children of

# Trinity County

## County Highlights

Trinity County has a higher percentage of children receiving TANF than the state average, yet infants are somewhat more likely to be born to mothers with at least a high school education. Trinity's average class size is among the state's smallest and per pupil expenditures are among the highest. Third graders' math and reading scores are slightly above state average. The county's young child foster care rate is substantially below the state average.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES** (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 13,240 | 3,013 | 798 | 100% |
| African-American | 59 | 11 | 5 | 1% |
| Asian | 110 | 42 | 10 | 1% |
| Latino | 489 | 122 | 24 | 3% |
| Native American | 662 | 190 | 51 | 6% |
| White | 11,920 | 2,648 | 708 | 89% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS** (1997) 100

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY** (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 25.6% | 24.8% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF** (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 19.3% | 23.1% |
| African-American | 0.0% | NS |
| Asian | 7.1% | 0.0% |
| Latino | 9.8% | 8.3% |
| Native American | 12.6% | 17.6% |
| White | 20.5% | 24.4% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE** (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 297 |
| Percent of all eligible | 66.9% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT** (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $474 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 49.5% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION** (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 25 | 25.0% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 23 | 26.1% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month—preschool | $390 | NA | NA |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 54% | NR | NR |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $66 | NR | NR |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 3.3% | 1.4% | 3.0% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 3.5% | 1.6% | 2.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.1% | 4.8% | 5.0% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | 0.0% | NS |
| White | 7.1% | 4.7% | 5.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.1 | 6.9 | 0.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | NS | NS | NS |
| Latino | NS | NS | NS |
| Native American | NS | 0.0 | NS |
| White | 8.8 | 7.8 | 0.0 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 34.1 | 37.3 | 42.0 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 111.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 62.5 |
| Native American | 83.3 | 71.4 | 69.0 |
| White | 31.3 | 38.0 | 41.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 83% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 57.1% | NA |
| Average class size | 22.7 | 22.4 | 21.3 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $5,636 | $6,113 | $6,667 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 0% | 0% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 48% | 57% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 49% | 57% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 47.2 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 11.2 | 4.9 |
| African-American | 83.3 | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 24.0 | 37.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 11.3 | 4.1 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 653 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 204.3 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 2 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 32 | 1 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## Trinity County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 40 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 30 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 40 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 41 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 21 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 1 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 21 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 11 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 7 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NR / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NR / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | NR / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | NR / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 11 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 3 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 13 / 57 |
| Average class size | 8 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 2 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 20 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 22 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 6 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 51 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 44 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | NR / 48 |
| Child abuse | 57 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | NR / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Tulare County

## County Highlights

Tulare County has the highest poverty rate for children ages birth to 17 among the counties and the second highest poverty rate for children ages birth to five. The county made improvements from 1995 to 1997 in the percentage of expectant mothers who receive prenatal care and in the percentage of low birthweight infants. The teen birth rate also declined, although it remains among the state's highest rates.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 364,335 | 121,387 | 43,746 | 100% |
| African-American | 5,079 | 1,829 | 626 | 1% |
| Asian | 17,739 | 6,178 | 1,847 | 4% |
| Latino | 159,059 | 67,924 | 27,314 | 62% |
| Native American | 3,400 | 835 | 199 | <1% |
| White | 179,058 | 44,621 | 13,760 | 31% |
| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | | 6,934 | | |

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 37.3% | 44.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 25.3% | 28.1% |
| African-American | 57.4% | 68.2% |
| Asian | 45.2% | 36.9% |
| Latino | 28.7% | 30.5% |
| Native American | 14.7% | 21.6% |
| White | 16.4% | 20.3% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 15,216 |
| Percent of all eligible | 62.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $497 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 51.9% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3,218 | 46.4% |
| African-American | 22 | 24.7% |
| Asian | 92 | 45.1% |
| Latino | 2,751 | 60.1% |
| Native American | 17 | 35.4% |
| White | 335 | 16.7% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $377 | NA | $458 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $295 | NA | $312 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 1% | NA | 1% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 56% | 62% | 70% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $75 | $74 | $71 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 5.5% | 5.2% |
| African-American | 7.4% | 4.3% | 3.4% |
| Asian | 4.2% | 4.6% | 3.9% |
| Latino | 6.3% | 6.3% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 11.8% | 6.3% | 14.6% |
| White | 4.2% | 3.9% | 4.2% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.6% | 5.7% | 5.2% |
| African-American | 11.1% | 11.8% | 9.0% |
| Asian | 4.6% | 9.5% | 3.9% |
| Latino | 5.8% | 5.5% | 5.2% |
| Native American | 2.9% | 6.3% | 6.3% |
| White | 4.9% | 5.2% | 5.2% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.7 | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| African-American | 9.3 | 0.0 | 33.7 |
| Asian | 3.5 | 7.1 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 6.6 | 6.3 | 6.6 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 4.1 | 6.1 | 4.5 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 96.4 | 93.9 | 85.4 |
| African-American | 96.6 | 100.0 | 72.4 |
| Asian | 59.1 | 71.1 | 41.9 |
| Latino | 142.7 | 136.2 | 130.4 |
| Native American | 49.4 | 79.3 | 63.3 |
| White | 50.9 | 49.6 | 41.1 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 27% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 44.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.6 | 26.7 | 26.6 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,036 | $4,307 | $4,702 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 25% | 26% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 29% | 36% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 32% | 41% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 4.5 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 10.0 | 8.4 |
| African-American | 69.4 | 59.5 |
| Asian | 2.6 | 2.7 |
| Latino | 8.0 | 6.8 |
| Native American | 17.4 | 26.5 |
| White | 11.5 | 9.7 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 13,198 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 111.2 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 17 | 1 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 714 | 126 |
| Deaths | 18 | 9 |

## Tulare County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 58 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 57 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 51 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 49 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 31 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 11 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 54 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 18 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 43 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 32 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 39 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 31 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 22 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 20 / 37 |
| Teen births | 52 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 55 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 35 / 57 |
| Average class size | 39 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 53 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 57 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 55 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 46 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 39 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 47 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 33 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 30 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 20 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 34 / 44 |

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The children of

# Tuolumne County

## County Highlights

Tuolumne County has one of the best records among the counties of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care. The county's teen birth rate is also among the lowest. While Tuolumne children who qualify for the nutrition program WIC are less likely than children statewide to receive benefits, the county has one of the best enrollment records of children eligible for Head Start.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 53,231 | 10,801 | 2,986 | 100% |
| African-American | 1,608 | 73 | 21 | 1% |
| Asian | 401 | 100 | 33 | 1% |
| Latino | 4,198 | 900 | 301 | 10% |
| Native American | 811 | 166 | 43 | 1% |
| White | 46,213 | 9,562 | 2,588 | 87% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 467 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 17.6% | 22.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16.0% | 20.9% |
| African-American | 16.4% | 9.5% |
| Asian | 12.0% | 9.1% |
| Latino | 6.1% | 8.0% |
| Native American | 16.9% | 14.0% |
| White | 16.9% | 22.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 662 |
| Percent of all eligible | 55.9% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $606 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 63.2% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 83 | 17.8% |
| African-American | NS | NS |
| Asian | 1 | 14.3% |
| Latino | 15 | 28.3% |
| Native American | 4 | 30.8% |
| White | 60 | 15.5% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | $334 | NA | $350 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 57% | 65% | 76% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $69 | $74 | $91 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.6% | 2.2% | 1.5% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | NS | 0.0% |
| Latino | 1.9% | 6.0% | 1.9% |
| Native American | 14.3% | 11.1% | 7.7% |
| White | 2.6% | 1.5% | 1.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 4.7% | 5.4% | 5.8% |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0% | NS | 0.0% |
| Latino | 3.8% | 6.0% | 0.0% |
| Native American | 14.3% | 11.1% | 7.7% |
| White | 4.7% | 5.3% | 6.4% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.0 | 13.0 | 8.6 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | NS | 0.0 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 2.3 | 15.0 | 10.3 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 48.2 | 38.0 | 38.6 |
| African-American | NS | NS | NS |
| Asian | 0.0 | 41.7 | 47.6 |
| Latino | 95.9 | 28.0 | 55.6 |
| Native American | 32.3 | 37.0 | 148.1 |
| White | 44.6 | 39.1 | 33.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 63% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 76.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 25.7 | 24.5 | 24.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,256 | $4,739 | $5,225 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 1% | 1% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 55% | 56% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 45% | 55% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 14.9 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 4.0 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.4 | 5.3 |
| African-American | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 4.5 | 3.4 |
| Native American | 35.1 | 55.6 |
| White | 6.2 | 4.9 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 1,450 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 132.0 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 138 | 15 |
| Deaths | 1 | 1 |

## Tuolumne County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 21 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 25 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 30 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 34 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 47 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 32 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 11 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 18 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 25 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 32 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 3 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 14 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | NR / 37 |
| Teen births | 15 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 21 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 8 / 57 |
| Average class size | 16 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 17 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 22 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 26 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 13 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 11 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 22 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 17 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 42 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 52 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | NR / 44 |

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The children of

# Ventura County

## County Highlights

Ventura County has a child poverty rate below the state average and one of the lowest percentages among counties of children receiving TANF. Ventura's average class size is larger than the state average and its third grade test scores are above the state average. Ventura has a child abuse rate slightly below the state average and the lowest rate of children in foster care.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 735,963 | 206,064 | 71,758 | 100% |
| African-American | 16,408 | 4,496 | 1,335 | 2% |
| Asian | 44,594 | 12,375 | 4,182 | 6% |
| Latino | 220,820 | 83,277 | 33,196 | 46% |
| Native American | 3,575 | 754 | 240 | <1% |
| White | 450,566 | 105,162 | 32,805 | 46% |

**TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** 11,281

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 13.8% | 17.8% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 6.7% | 8.0% |
| African-American | 15.8% | 20.8% |
| Asian | 2.8% | 2.9% |
| Latino | 10.5% | 11.1% |
| Native American | 8.0% | 7.5% |
| White | 3.8% | 5.0% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 13,715 |
| Percent of all eligible | 53.7% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $781 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 81.5% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3,075 | 27.3% |
| African-American | 21 | 11.9% |
| Asian | 34 | 5.7% |
| Latino | 2,779 | 51.8% |
| Native American | 9 | 22.0% |
| White | 229 | 4.9% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | $624 | NA | $598 |
| Cost/month – preschool | $412 | NA | $415 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 4% | NA | 4% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 60% | NA | NA |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $82 | NA | NA |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 2.5% | 1.7% | 1.8% |
| African-American | 3.6% | 0.9% | 3.4% |
| Asian | 1.3% | 2.6% | 1.0% |
| Latino | 3.7% | 2.4% | 2.6% |
| Native American | 5.4% | 2.2% | 0.0% |
| White | 1.3% | 0.9% | 1.0% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.3% | 5.2% | 5.8% |
| African-American | 10.3% | 8.1% | 11.3% |
| Asian | 5.3% | 3.9% | 7.0% |
| Latino | 5.1% | 5.3% | 5.7% |
| Native American | 2.7% | 6.5% | 7.3% |
| White | 5.3% | 5.5% | 5.7% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.4 | 5.0 | 7.5 |
| African-American | 13.5 | 23.7 | 5.6 |
| Asian | 4.9 | 0.0 | 6.7 |
| Latino | 5.6 | 6.5 | 9.1 |
| Native American | 27.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 5.4 | 3.5 | 6.6 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 52.6 | 48.0 | 44.7 |
| African-American | 34.6 | 69.7 | 38.9 |
| Asian | 13.1 | 17.9 | 10.9 |
| Latino | 106.0 | 97.6 | 93.3 |
| Native American | 41.7 | 21.9 | 55.1 |
| White | 18.9 | 17.7 | 16.0 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 43% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 45.2% | NA |
| Average class size | 27.2 | 28.3 | 28.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $3,993 | $4,346 | $4,678 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 21% | 21% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 55% | 62% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 51% | 63% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 5.0 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.8 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 3.1 | 2.7 |
| African-American | 15.3 | 11.6 |
| Asian | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| Latino | 3.1 | 2.9 |
| Native American | 4.0 | 4.3 |
| White | 2.8 | 2.5 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 12,941 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 64.6 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 6 | 0 |
| Deaths | 9 | 3 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 1,107 | 155 |
| Deaths | 6 | 2 |

## Ventura County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 14 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 14 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 7 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 7 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 49 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 48 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 26 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 25 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 32 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 28 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | NA / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | NA / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 1 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 20 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 19 / 37 |
| Teen births | 21 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 40 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 32 / 57 |
| Average class size | 50 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 54 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 15 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 13 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 44 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 43 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 1 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 3 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 16 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 17 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 14 / 44 |

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The children of

# Yolo County

## County Highlights

Yolo County has one of the lowest rates of births to teens among the counties. Its rate of expectant mothers receiving prenatal care is among the lowest and its infant mortality rate is above the state average. Yolo children who qualify for the nutrition program WIC are among the most likely statewide to receive these benefits. Yolo has a higher than average percentage of child care spaces designated for infants.

## Demographics

| **ETHNICITIES (1998)** | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 157,717 | 40,483 | 13,835 | 100% |
| African-American | 3,478 | 891 | 276 | 2% |
| Asian | 15,191 | 3,662 | 1,236 | 9% |
| Latino | 34,894 | 12,995 | 4,964 | 36% |
| Native American | 1,865 | 498 | 178 | 1% |
| White | 102,289 | 22,437 | 7,181 | 52% |

| **TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997)** | 2,106 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| **CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995)** | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 20.4% | 22.7% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998)** | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 16.3% | 17.4% |
| African-American | 36.7% | 45.7% |
| Asian | 23.0% | 20.0% |
| Latino | 16.7% | 18.6% |
| Native American | 22.1% | 19.1% |
| White | 14.1% | 15.0% |

| **CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4)** | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 5,291 |
| Percent of all eligible | 99.1% |

| **FAIR MARKET RENT (1998)** | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $652 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 68.0% |

| **BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997)** | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 574 | 27.3% |
| African-American | 4 | 8.7% |
| Asian | 40 | 24.4% |
| Latino | 416 | 49.8% |
| Native American | 6 | 26.1% |
| White | 106 | 10.4% |

| **CHILD CARE** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month—infant | $767 | NA | $625 |
| Cost/month—preschool | $524 | NA | $442 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | 6% | NA | 9% |

| **CHILD SUPPORT** | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 65% | 63% | 61% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $77 | $82 | $92 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 9.0% | 6.3% | 6.1% |
| African American | 18.2% | 13.0% | 13.0% |
| Asian | 3.8% | 4.1% | 10.4% |
| Latino | 12.6% | 8.3% | 7.4% |
| Native American | 13.0% | 18.2% | 4.3% |
| White | 6.8% | 4.5% | 3.9% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.1% | 5.5% | 5.9% |
| African American | 9.1% | 10.9% | 15.2% |
| Asian | 8.8% | 6.2% | 3.7% |
| Latino | 4.4% | 5.1% | 5.0% |
| Native American | 13.0% | 9.1% | 0.0% |
| White | 4.8% | 5.4% | 6.5% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 5.0 | 9.7 | 6.2 |
| African American | 0.0 | 43.5 | 43.5 |
| Asian | 0.0 | 10.3 | 6.1 |
| Latino | 7.4 | 8.6 | 4.8 |
| Native American | 0.0 | 0.0 | 43.5 |
| White | 4.4 | 9.3 | 4.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 41.6 | 34.7 | 33.1 |
| African American | 47.2 | 26.3 | 29.4 |
| Asian | 11.5 | 12.2 | 10.1 |
| Latino | 119.4 | 106.1 | 100.5 |
| Native American | 96.8 | 49.2 | 92.3 |
| White | 24.4 | 19.4 | 16.9 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 70% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 41.5% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.0 | 26.8 | 26.3 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,089 | $4,474 | $4,773 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 21% | 22% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 54% | 54% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 47% | 54% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 7.8 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 1.5 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 8.1 | 9.9 |
| African-American | 46.0 | 84.6 |
| Asian | 2.6 | 3.4 |
| Latino | 5.9 | 5.8 |
| Native American | 38.5 | 48.2 |
| White | 8.0 | 10.0 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 3,656 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 93.7 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 0 | 0 |
| Deaths | 3 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 168 | 19 |
| Deaths | 2 | 0 |

## Yolo County Rankings

| Family Economics | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 28 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 27 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 32 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 26 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 4 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 38 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 27 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | 28 / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 39 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 3 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 31 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 24 / 48 |

| Health | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 44 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 24 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 27 / 37 |
| Teen births | 7 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 15 / 58 |

| Education | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 43 / 57 |
| Average class size | 35 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 44 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 27 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 29 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 26 / 56 |

| Safety | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 29 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 30 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 34 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 3 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 3 / 44 |

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The children of

# Yuba County

## County Highlights

Yuba County has a substantially higher percentage of poor and very poor children compared to the state average. The county also has the highest percentage of children receiving TANF. Yuba is one of the lower cost counties for families, with relatively low rental and child care costs. Yuba has among the highest rates of child abuse reports and of children in foster care.

## Demographics

| ETHNICITIES (1998) | Total population | Children pop. (0-17) | Young child pop. (0-5) | Young child eth. diversity |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| All | 62,58 | 20,878 | 6,852 | 100% |
| African-American | 2,385 | 865 | 238 | 3% |
| Asian | 6,875 | 3,572 | 1,237 | 18% |
| Latino | 8,276 | 3,291 | 1,182 | 17% |
| Native American | 1,296 | 347 | 71 | 1% |
| White | 43,326 | 12,803 | 4,124 | 60% |

| TOTAL NUMBER OF BIRTHS (1997) | 1,046 |
|---|---|

## Family Economics

| CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY (1995) | Children Ages 0-17 | Children Ages 0-4 |
|---|---|---|
| Percent | 34.0% | 29.5% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING TANF (1998) | Percent Ages 0-17 | Percent Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 30.1% | 32.1% |
| African-American | 20.8% | 39.5% |
| Asian | 63.1% | 51.3% |
| Latino | 19.8% | 27.2% |
| Native American | 13.0% | 25.4% |
| White | 24.6% | 27.4% |

| CHILDREN RECEIVING WIC ASSISTANCE (1997— Ages 0-4) | |
|---|---|
| Number of participants | 2,509 |
| Percent of all eligible | 57.6% |

| FAIR MARKET RENT (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Two bedroom | $479 |
| As percent of minimum wage | 50.0% |

| BABIES BORN TO MOTHERS WITH <12 YRS. OF EDUCATION (1997) | Number | Percent |
|---|---|---|
| All | 403 | 38.5% |
| African-American | 10 | 34.5% |
| Asian | 96 | 70.6% |
| Latino | 131 | 60.9% |
| Native American | NS | NS |
| White | 161 | 25.0% |

| CHILD CARE | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cost/month – infant | NA | NA | NA |
| Cost/month – preschool | $325 | NA | $314 |
| Child care centers: % spaces for infants | NA | NA | 0% |

| CHILD SUPPORT | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Percent cases with orders | 41% | 47% | 45% |
| Money collected mo./ case with order | $40 | $42 | $42 |

## Health

| LATE/NO PRENATAL CARE | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.6% | 8.1% | 8.9% |
| African-American | 4.8% | 10.0% | 6.9% |
| Asian | 6.5% | 5.6% | 5.1% |
| Latino | 13.5% | 11.3% | 9.8% |
| Native American | 15.8% | 4.8% | 15.0% |
| White | 7.9% | 7.7% | 9.3% |

| PERCENT LOW BIRTHWEIGHT INFANTS | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 6.0% | 5.9% | 7.0% |
| African-American | 4.8% | 13.3% | 10.3% |
| Asian | 4.0% | 5.6% | 6.6% |
| Latino | 4.2% | 6.4% | 7.0% |
| Native American | 10.5% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| White | 7.0% | 5.6% | 7.1% |

| INFANT MORTALITY RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 8.4 | 4.6 | 8.6 |
| African-American | 23.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Asian | 5.0 | 6.3 | 14.7 |
| Latino | 0.0 | 9.8 | 0.0 |
| Native American | 52.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| White | 9.6 | 3.0 | 10.9 |

| TEEN BIRTH RATES (per 1,000) | 1995 | 1996 | 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|
| All | 99.5 | 86.5 | 69.2 |
| African-American | 150.7 | 50.0 | 64.5 |
| Asian | 161.4 | 109.8 | 83.3 |
| Latino | 98.9 | 109.3 | 82.1 |
| Native American | 76.9 | 92.3 | 28.6 |
| White | 88.8 | 78.3 | 65.3 |

| MOTHERS WHO INITIATE EXCLUSIVE BREASTFEEDING | 1997 |
|---|---|
| Percent | 33% |

## Education

| CLASSROOMS | 1996 | 1997 | 1998 |
|---|---|---|---|
| % eligible in Head Start | NA | 27.6% | NA |
| Average class size | 28.2 | 27.4 | 26.1 |
| Per pupil expenditure | $4,140 | $4,524 | $5,080 |

| STUDENT PROFICIENCY | 1997 | 1998 | 1999 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Students with limited English Proficiency | 23% | 23% | NA |
| % of 3rd graders reading at or above national avg. | | 42% | 46% |
| % of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above national avg. | | 29% | 41% |

| PUBLIC LIBRARIES (1998) | |
|---|---|
| Monthly hours open (Per 100 young children) | 2.3 |
| Preschool programs (Per 100 young children) | 0.7 |

## Safety

| FOSTER CARE RATES (1997—per 1,000) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| All | 12.4 | 13.5 |
| African-American | 6.8 | 12.3 |
| Asian | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Latino | 7.7 | 10.5 |
| Native American | 8.4 | 18.5 |
| White | 17.2 | 18.3 |

| CHILD ABUSE (1996) | |
|---|---|
| Number of reports | 3,469 |
| Rate (per 1,000) | 169.9 |

| GUN INJURIES & DEATHS (1997) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 3 | 0 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

| MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES & DEATHS (1998) | Ages 0-17 | Ages 0-5 |
|---|---|---|
| Injuries | 104 | 20 |
| Deaths | 0 | 0 |

## Yuba County Rankings

### Family Economics

| | |
|---|---|
| Children living in poverty (0-17) | 55 / 58 |
| Children living in poverty (0-4) | 46 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-17) | 58 / 58 |
| Children receiving TANF (0-5) | 55 / 58 |
| Children receiving WIC assistance | 42 / 58 |
| Fair market rent as % of min. wage | 8 / 58 |
| Mothers w/ <12 yrs education | 47 / 55 |
| Child care cost/month—infant | NA / 38 |
| Child care cost/month—preschool | 9 / 52 |
| Child care: % spaces for infants | 47 / 47 |
| Child support: % cases w/ orders | 45 / 48 |
| Child support: $ collected | 48 / 48 |

### Health

| | |
|---|---|
| Late/no prenatal care | 48 / 49 |
| Low birthweight infants | 39 / 49 |
| Infant mortality | 30 / 37 |
| Teen births | 46 / 52 |
| Mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding | 50 / 58 |

### Education

| | |
|---|---|
| Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds in Head Start | 57 / 57 |
| Average class size | 37 / 58 |
| Per pupil expenditure | 33 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above nat'l average | 55 / 58 |
| Percent of 3rd graders scoring (math) at or above nat'l average | 14 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Monthly hours open | 56 / 58 |
| Public libraries: Preschool programs | 45 / 56 |

### Safety

| | |
|---|---|
| Foster care rate (0-17) | 48 / 57 |
| Foster care rate (0-5) | 43 / 48 |
| Child abuse | 54 / 58 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-17) | 16 / 55 |
| Vehicle injuries & deaths (0-5) | 16 / 44 |

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# Data Explanations & Sources

## Demographics

The population information includes the total population for each county, the number of children ages 0-17, the number of children ages 0-5 and the ethnic diversity of children ages 0-5. It also includes the number of births per county for 1997.

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, *Race/Ethnic Population with Age and Sex Detail, 1970-2040, December 1998*. Birth data obtained from California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

## Family Economics

**Children living in poverty:** Percent of children ages 0-17 and ages 0-4 living in poverty. In 1995, the most recent year for available data, the Federal Poverty Level for a family of four was estimated at $15,150.

Source: United States Bureau of the Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program, February 1999. Poverty estimates for children ages 0-4 were calculated by subtracting estimates for children ages 0-17 from estimates for children 5-17. This calculation results in an estimate for children ages 0-4 that includes children 5-17 in foster care in poverty. Given the available data, it is not currently possible to extract this population (children 5-17 in foster care in poverty) from children ages 0-4 living in poverty. In 1995, about 91,000 children were in foster care in California. The Federal Poverty Level, also referred to as the Federal Poverty Guidelines, is issued each year in the Federal Register by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

**Children receiving TANF:** Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF) is a cash assistance program to help children and families in times of need. In 1999, the maximum annual cash grant was $7,152 - $7,512 for a family of three (depending on their county of residence) or about half of the Federal Poverty Level for a family of that size. This indicator shows the number and percentage of children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 in each county who received TANF assistance in July 1998.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section.

**Children receiving WIC assistance:** Women, Infants and Children (WIC) is a federal assistance program administered by the California Department of Health Services, WIC Supplemental Nutrition Branch. To be eligible for the program, families must have incomes at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1997, the year for which data is available, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was $16,050. This indicator shows the number and percent of all eligible children ages 0-4 receiving WIC assistance. Due to estimate calculation, some small population counties reflect more children participating in WIC program than number eligible. This may not reflect actual circumstances.

Source: California Department of Health Services, WIC Supplemental Nutrition Branch.

**Fair market rent:** The gross rent estimate (including utilities, except telephone) for a modest two bedroom apartment, published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Source: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, *Federal Register, Part IV, Vol. 63, No. 190, October 1, 1998*.

**Fair market rent as percent of minimum wage:** The current minimum wage in California is $5.75 per hour. A $958 monthly salary is the gross income from working at $5.75 per hour, 40 hours per week, 50 weeks per year. This indicator calculates the fair market rent as a percent of the monthly minimum wage salary.

**Babies born to mothers with less than 12 years education:** The number and percentage of live California births which were to mothers (all ages) with less than 12 years of education.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

**Child care costs:** The average monthly cost of full-time care for a child under 2 years of age (infant care) and for a child 2-5 years old (preschool) in a licensed child care center.

**Child care center spaces for infants:** The percentage of all spaces in child care centers which are licensed to serve infants under the age of two. In California, licensed child care centers account for 68% of the regulated child care capacity; the remaining 32% is through family child care homes.

Source: California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, *The California Child Care Portfolio, 1999*.

**Child support:** The percentage of 1995-96 through 1997-98 child support cases which had orders to pay and the average amount of money which was collected monthly from those orders. It is important to note that cases without orders in place also represent children who are awaiting child support.

Source: California Department of Social Services, Child Support Management Information System, *Annual Report* (1995-96 through 1997-98). Calculations made by Children Now, with technical and data preparation assistance from National Center for Youth Law.

## Additional Family Economics Indicators

**Median yearly income:** Represents a 1998 median yearly income estimate, based upon 1995 data and adjusted for inflation through 1998.

Source: Compiled and calculated by California Child Care Resource and Referral Network from United States Bureau of the Census, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates program, February 1999. See also California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, *The California Child Care Portfolio, 1999*.

**Unemployment rate:** This indicator represents the 1998 monthly average percentage of the California civilian labor force not employed and actively looking for work.

Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division, Information Services, February 1999.

**Low-income children:** The percentage of K-12 students enrolled in either public or private schools and eligible for free or reduced-cost meals. To be eligible for the program, families must have incomes at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1998, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was $16,450.

Source: California Department of Education, Child Nutrition Division, *Free and Reduced Meals Information* report, 1998-1999. Compiled by California Food Policy Advocates.

## Health

**Percentage of births with late or no prenatal care:** The percentage of live births to mothers of all ages who did not receive prenatal care until the third trimester or who received no prenatal care.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research and Vital Statistics Section.

**Percentage of low birthweight infants:** The percentage of all live births with birthweights less than 2500 grams (5.5 lbs.).

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

**Infant mortality rate:** The number of infants who die within the first year of life per 1,000 live births.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

**Teen birth rate:** The number of births to female teens ages 15 through 19 per 1,000 females of that age group.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Office of Health Information and Research, Vital Statistics Section.

**Percent of mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding:** Breastfeeding reduces health care costs by reducing the incidence of ovarian and cervical cancer, certain childhood cancers, ear infections and other illnesses. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that breastfeeding continue for at least 12 months, and thereafter for as long as mutually desired.

Data is self-reporting by new mothers who were asked, before discharge, if they intended to breastfeed only, use formula only or supplement breastfeeding with formula. The "total" breastfeeding rate includes those who are breastfeeding exclusively and those supplementing breastfeeding with formula.

Source: California Department of Health Services, maternal and Child Health Branch.

## Education

**Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds enrolled in Head Start:** Head Start is a federally funded comprehensive preschool program for low-income children. To be eligible for the program, families must have incomes at or below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level. In 1997, the year for which data is available, the Federal Poverty Level for a four-person family was $16,050. This indicator represents the percent of all eligible children 3-4 years old enrolled in Head Start.

Source: United States Department of Health and Human Services, Head Start Bureau, *Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs, Fiscal Year 1997.*

**Average class size:** The enrollment in classes divided by the number of classes. It excludes special education classes, classes with zero enrollment and classes with enrollment over 50.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

**Per pupil expenditure:** The current expenditures for education (including general fund items such as certificated salaries, classified salaries, employee benefits, books and supplies, equipment replacement and services and direct support) divided by the total average daily attendance (ADA). These county per-pupil expenditure figures include slightly different costs than the per-pupil expenditures reported for state-by-state comparisons.

Source: California Department of Education, School Business Services Division.

**Students with limited English proficiency:** The percentage of public school students (K-12) who were designated by the school as having limited proficiency in English.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

**Reading and math scores:** This indicator represents the percent of 3rd grade children scoring at or above the 50th National Percentile Rank (NPR). Children whose reading and math scores are above the 50th NPR are scoring above 50 percent of a sample of children ("national norming sample") across the United States who completed the same exam for their grade level in 1995. In 1998, second through eleventh grade students in California's 8,000 schools began taking the Stanford Achievement Test, Version 9 (SAT-9) in the spring as part of the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program.

Source: California Department of Education, Standardized Achievement Test and Reporting Program, 1998, 1999.

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**Public libraries:** This indicator represents the number of total hours all public libraries are accessible to patrons as a percent of all children. Also shown is the number of preschool programs per 100 preschool children. Generally, any child age 0-5 is allowed to participate in library preschool programs. Please note, Sierra county contracts with Plumas for some library services. Plumas county data includes Sierra county data. Please refer to Plumas county for available Sierra county library services information.

Source: California State Library, Library Development Services Bureau.

## Additional Education Indicators

**High school dropout rate:** The percentage of public school 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th grade students who leave school in one year and do not notify the school of a change of residence.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

**Graduates prepared for college:** The percentage of public high school twelfth-grade graduates who have completed the courses required for entrance into the University of California and California State University systems.

Source: California Department of Education, Educational Demographics Unit.

## Safety

**Child abuse:** The number of reports of child sexual, physical and emotional abuse, as well as neglect, exploitation and caretaker incapacity per 1,000 children.

Source: California Dept. of Social Services, Data Analysis and Publications Branch, *Preplacement Preventive Services for Children in California, Annual Statistical Report*, 1994, 1995, 1996.

**Foster care:** The number of children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 who are in out-of-home care per 1,000 children. These estimates do not include children (about 5,000 statewide) who are under probation status and in foster care. This indicator represents a point in time analysis (count) as of July 1 for respective years for which data is shown.

Source: University of California, Berkeley, Child Welfare Research Center.

**Gun injuries and deaths:** The numbers of injuries and fatalities to children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 years of age from firearms. The injuries and fatalities include those which are unintentional, self-inflicted, a result of assault, a result of legal intervention and whose causes are undetermined.

Source: California Department of Health Services, Injury Surveillance and Epidemiology Section.

**Motor vehicle injuries and deaths:** The number of injuries and fatalities to children ages 0-17 and ages 0-5 from motor vehicle accidents.

Source: Department of California Highway Patrol, Information Services Unit.

## Comments on Ranking Methodology

Of the 31 indicators presented in this book, 27 of them are ranked so that counties can compare themselves to each other and to state averages. Where available, the ranks are based on three-year averages. For indicators in which the universe of possible incidents is limited, several factors were considered to determine which counties can not be ranked reliably: the standard deviation of the data, the rate variation between years and total number of incidents. If the average rate can not be considered reliable, the county is eliminated from the ranking. When counties have the same rate or number for an indicator, they receive the same rank. Additionally, for privacy reasons, statistics in which the population base is less than seven are not shown (NS).

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# California Children 1998, Ages 0-17

| | White | Latino | Asian | African-American | Native American | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 3,769,068 | 3,847,685 | 1,056,688 | 702,441 | 50,286 | 9,426,168 |
| Alameda | 134,273 | 86,654 | 76,541 | 73,407 | 1,588 | 372,463 |
| Alpine | 112 | 18 | 4 | 0 | 95 | 229 |
| Amador | 5,440 | 721 | 48 | 134 | 108 | 6,451 |
| Butte | 38,086 | 6,355 | 3,339 | 889 | 880 | 49,549 |
| Calaveras | 7,828 | 794 | 81 | 43 | 189 | 8,935 |
| Colusa | 2,484 | 3,099 | 80 | 12 | 80 | 5,755 |
| Contra Costa | 130,508 | 44,555 | 31,481 | 26,817 | 968 | 234,329 |
| Del Norte | 5,229 | 981 | 319 | 29 | 616 | 7,174 |
| El Dorado | 31,874 | 4,820 | 996 | 187 | 372 | 38,249 |
| Fresno | 83,791 | 121,515 | 35,477 | 14,462 | 2,025 | 257,270 |
| Glenn | 4,657 | 2,808 | 679 | 25 | 146 | 8,315 |
| Humboldt | 25,128 | 2,297 | 1,279 | 301 | 2,495 | 31,500 |
| Imperial | 6,788 | 38,966 | 522 | 692 | 352 | 47,320 |
| Inyo | 2,928 | 794 | 61 | 15 | 574 | 4,372 |
| Kern | 98,693 | 87,923 | 6,332 | 12,840 | 1,558 | 207,346 |
| Kings | 16,302 | 17,147 | 1,632 | 2,128 | 328 | 37,537 |
| Lake | 10,885 | 1,794 | 126 | 342 | 385 | 13,532 |
| Lassen | 5,886 | 907 | 69 | 74 | 257 | 7,193 |
| Los Angeles | 602,300 | 1,615,545 | 302,330 | 277,669 | 5,801 | 2,803,645 |
| Madera | 14,613 | 18,014 | 463 | 893 | 314 | 34,297 |
| Marin | 37,261 | 8,429 | 2,993 | 1,635 | 110 | 50,428 |
| Mariposa | 3,048 | 277 | 25 | 14 | 122 | 3,486 |
| Mendocino | 15,862 | 4,849 | 292 | 157 | 1,257 | 22,417 |
| Merced | 27,011 | 30,701 | 10,125 | 2,839 | 273 | 70,949 |
| Modoc | 1,863 | 403 | 11 | 13 | 126 | 2,416 |
| Mono | 1,888 | 592 | 35 | 11 | 119 | 2,645 |
| Monterey | 41,246 | 62,671 | 7,149 | 5,570 | 470 | 117,106 |
| Napa | 18,718 | 8,508 | 1,123 | 423 | 159 | 28,931 |
| Nevada | 18,010 | 1,553 | 193 | 36 | 193 | 19,985 |
| Orange | 339,554 | 313,184 | 99,285 | 14,538 | 1,732 | 768,293 |
| Placer | 49,546 | 7,022 | 1,692 | 426 | 451 | 59,137 |
| Plumas | 3,682 | 437 | 35 | 57 | 171 | 4,382 |
| Riverside | 215,611 | 175,268 | 18,981 | 26,272 | 3,576 | 439,708 |
| Sacramento | 184,342 | 56,110 | 43,994 | 40,124 | 3,225 | 327,795 |
| San Benito | 6,162 | 7,716 | 266 | 72 | 36 | 14,252 |
| San Bernardino | 244,058 | 212,418 | 25,946 | 52,157 | 2,901 | 537,480 |
| San Diego | 372,871 | 267,313 | 73,212 | 56,355 | 4,062 | 773,813 |
| San Francisco | 40,667 | 32,083 | 55,636 | 20,089 | 395 | 148,870 |
| San Joaquin | 73,648 | 52,285 | 30,580 | 10,277 | 1,110 | 167,900 |
| San Luis Obispo | 39,897 | 11,425 | 1,298 | 1,024 | 297 | 53,941 |
| San Mateo | 72,982 | 54,516 | 39,418 | 8,625 | 591 | 176,132 |
| Santa Barbara | 47,281 | 49,312 | 4,720 | 2,663 | 483 | 104,459 |
| Santa Clara | 169,964 | 141,621 | 113,015 | 16,463 | 1,009 | 442,072 |
| Santa Cruz | 36,133 | 24,546 | 2,290 | 733 | 246 | 63,948 |
| Shasta | 37,286 | 2,898 | 1,716 | 403 | 1,273 | 43,576 |
| Sierra | 624 | 58 | 2 | 2 | 15 | 701 |
| Siskiyou | 8,415 | 1,208 | 134 | 179 | 555 | 10,491 |
| Solano | 57,659 | 20,146 | 16,767 | 16,534 | 649 | 111,755 |
| Sonoma | 80,138 | 21,942 | 4,435 | 2,230 | 1,154 | 109,899 |
| Stanislaus | 74,775 | 45,128 | 10,693 | 2,935 | 1,129 | 134,660 |
| Sutter | 13,207 | 5,671 | 2,739 | 386 | 205 | 22,208 |
| Tehama | 10,621 | 3,179 | 100 | 75 | 271 | 14,246 |
| Trinity | 2,648 | 122 | 42 | 11 | 190 | 3,013 |
| Tulare | 44,621 | 67,924 | 6,178 | 1,829 | 835 | 121,387 |
| Tuolumne | 9,562 | 900 | 100 | 73 | 166 | 10,801 |
| Ventura | 105,162 | 83,277 | 12,375 | 4,496 | 754 | 206,064 |
| Yolo | 22,437 | 12,995 | 3,662 | 891 | 498 | 40,483 |
| Yuba | 12,803 | 3,291 | 3,572 | 865 | 347 | 20,878 |

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit

# California Children

1998, Ages 0-5

|  | White | Latino | Asian | African-American | Native American | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 1,178,909 | 1,562,203 | 370,593 | 235,540 | 16,067 | 3,363,312 |
| Alameda | 43,087 | 34,812 | 27,999 | 24,668 | 536 | 131,102 |
| Alpine | 18 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 34 | 58 |
| Amador | 1,541 | 189 | 22 | 8 | 31 | 1,791 |
| Butte | 11,132 | 2,325 | 1,318 | 299 | 251 | 15,325 |
| Calaveras | 2,072 | 245 | 31 | 12 | 54 | 2,414 |
| Colusa | 707 | 1,229 | 26 | 5 | 24 | 1,991 |
| Contra Costa | 40,527 | 17,115 | 10,253 | 8,930 | 231 | 77,056 |
| Del Norte | 1,486 | 312 | 103 | 8 | 193 | 2,102 |
| El Dorado | 8,648 | 1,908 | 387 | 42 | 100 | 11,085 |
| Fresno | 26,000 | 47,301 | 11,761 | 5,309 | 695 | 91,066 |
| Glenn | 1,392 | 1,062 | 241 | 7 | 40 | 2,742 |
| Humboldt | 7,346 | 786 | 373 | 87 | 825 | 9,417 |
| Imperial | 1,868 | 14,261 | 152 | 216 | 16 | 16,513 |
| Inyo | 771 | 341 | 27 | 3 | 186 | 1,328 |
| Kern | 29,983 | 35,397 | 2,329 | 4,527 | 452 | 72,688 |
| Kings | 5,287 | 6,749 | 594 | 705 | 109 | 13,444 |
| Lake | 3,063 | 636 | 44 | 115 | 137 | 3,995 |
| Lassen | 1,616 | 322 | 24 | 25 | 77 | 2,064 |
| Los Angeles | 192,264 | 652,944 | 102,105 | 92,937 | 1,794 | 1,042,044 |
| Madera | 4,315 | 7,437 | 162 | 303 | 124 | 12,341 |
| Marin | 11,471 | 3,731 | 1,067 | 484 | 31 | 16,784 |
| Mariposa | 853 | 97 | 10 | 7 | 27 | 994 |
| Mendocino | 4,279 | 1,898 | 99 | 29 | 430 | 6,735 |
| Merced | 8,029 | 11,833 | 3,226 | 944 | 73 | 24,105 |
| Modoc | 521 | 154 | 6 | 1 | 35 | 717 |
| Mono | 468 | 260 | 11 | 1 | 23 | 763 |
| Monterey | 12,513 | 26,463 | 2,226 | 1,158 | 104 | 42,464 |
| Napa | 5,338 | 3,541 | 319 | 106 | 62 | 9,366 |
| Nevada | 4,818 | 531 | 54 | 7 | 53 | 5,463 |
| Orange | 113,809 | 140,430 | 36,663 | 4,991 | 612 | 296,505 |
| Placer | 15,067 | 2,581 | 630 | 127 | 148 | 18,553 |
| Plumas | 885 | 117 | 14 | 10 | 41 | 1,067 |
| Riverside | 62,806 | 71,502 | 6,907 | 9,123 | 1,283 | 151,621 |
| Sacramento | 59,862 | 21,240 | 16,046 | 13,950 | 972 | 112,070 |
| San Benito | 1,954 | 2,988 | 108 | 23 | 10 | 5,083 |
| San Bernardino | 72,043 | 85,144 | 9,516 | 17,544 | 992 | 185,239 |
| San Diego | 122,203 | 113,771 | 27,554 | 19,820 | 1,383 | 284,731 |
| San Francisco | 15,672 | 12,307 | 19,450 | 6,389 | 114 | 53,932 |
| San Joaquin | 22,408 | 20,208 | 9,173 | 3,825 | 406 | 56,020 |
| San Luis Obispo | 11,349 | 4,324 | 452 | 211 | 67 | 16,403 |
| San Mateo | 24,562 | 21,086 | 14,254 | 2,432 | 156 | 62,490 |
| Santa Barbara | 14,252 | 20,381 | 1,697 | 788 | 129 | 37,247 |
| Santa Clara | 55,603 | 56,234 | 42,294 | 5,344 | 370 | 159,845 |
| Santa Cruz | 10,353 | 10,423 | 745 | 168 | 56 | 21,745 |
| Shasta | 10,926 | 960 | 513 | 116 | 454 | 12,969 |
| Sierra | 109 | 11 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 122 |
| Siskiyou | 2,269 | 478 | 44 | 35 | 128 | 2,954 |
| Solano | 17,523 | 7,096 | 5,518 | 5,392 | 201 | 35,730 |
| Sonoma | 22,868 | 9,020 | 1,439 | 652 | 400 | 34,379 |
| Stanislaus | 22,640 | 17,687 | 2,982 | 1,009 | 447 | 44,765 |
| Sutter | 4,145 | 2,073 | 1,032 | 124 | 68 | 7,442 |
| Tehama | 3,022 | 1,278 | 44 | 23 | 101 | 4,468 |
| Trinity | 708 | 24 | 10 | 5 | 51 | 798 |
| Tulare | 13,760 | 27,314 | 1,847 | 626 | 199 | 43,746 |
| Tuolumne | 2,588 | 301 | 33 | 21 | 43 | 2,986 |
| Ventura | 32,805 | 33,196 | 4,182 | 1,335 | 240 | 71,758 |
| Yolo | 7,181 | 4,964 | 1,236 | 276 | 178 | 13,835 |
| Yuba | 4,124 | 1,182 | 1,237 | 238 | 71 | 6,852 |

Source: California Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit

# Children Living in Poverty 1995

| | Children 0-17 | % Children 0-17 | Rank 0-17 | Children 0-4 | % Children 0-4 | Rank 0-4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 2,214,535 | 24.3% | | 850,772 | 28.6% | |
| Alameda | 61,084 | 17.3% | 19 | 22,137 | 19.6% | 17 |
| Alpine | 93 | 28.5% | 50 | 24 | 27.4% | 38 |
| Amador | 934 | 13.2% | 9 | 310 | 16.5% | 12 |
| Butte | 13,409 | 26.7% | 43 | 4,607 | 30.1% | 49 |
| Calaveras | 1,756 | 17.1% | 18 | 551 | 19.5% | 16 |
| Colusa | 1,308 | 21.3% | 30 | 486 | 27.1% | 36 |
| Contra Costa | 29,600 | 12.3% | 6 | 11,123 | 15.0% | 7 |
| Del Norte | 2,128 | 26.7% | 43 | 630 | 27.7% | 40 |
| El Dorado | 5,067 | 11.6% | 5 | 1,751 | 13.5% | 4 |
| Fresno | 92,425 | 36.3% | 57 | 34,619 | 42.2% | 56 |
| Glenn | 2,274 | 26.0% | 42 | 772 | 29.2% | 45 |
| Humboldt | 8,336 | 24.2% | 36 | 2,691 | 27.2% | 37 |
| Imperial | 16,493 | 33.4% | 53 | 7,104 | 49.5% | 58 |
| Inyo | 900 | 18.9% | 23 | 316 | 23.5% | 29 |
| Kern | 58,499 | 27.8% | 49 | 22,630 | 33.2% | 52 |
| Kings | 10,846 | 28.6% | 51 | 3,784 | 30.9% | 50 |
| Lake | 4,106 | 29.1% | 52 | 1,237 | 30.1% | 48 |
| Lassen | 1,407 | 17.5% | 20 | 482 | 22.4% | 23 |
| Los Angeles | 875,324 | 33.7% | 54 | 346,593 | 39.6% | 55 |
| Madera | 9,937 | 27.6% | 47 | 3,570 | 33.2% | 53 |
| Marin | 4,169 | 8.6% | 1 | 1,521 | 9.9% | 2 |
| Mariposa | 748 | 19.0% | 24 | 254 | 22.5% | 24 |
| Mendocino | 6,103 | 24.9% | 39 | 2,047 | 29.1% | 43 |
| Merced | 25,638 | 35.6% | 56 | 8,859 | 38.4% | 54 |
| Modoc | 755 | 26.9% | 45 | 199 | 26.1% | 32 |
| Mono | 359 | 12.7% | 7 | 139 | 14.4% | 6 |
| Monterey | 23,937 | 22.1% | 31 | 9,646 | 26.4% | 33 |
| Napa | 3,874 | 13.0% | 8 | 1,458 | 16.2% | 10 |
| Nevada | 3,145 | 13.6% | 13 | 1,110 | 18.0% | 15 |
| Orange | 115,952 | 16.4% | 16 | 48,917 | 21.1% | 19 |
| Placer | 6,268 | 10.3% | 3 | 2,423 | 13.7% | 5 |
| Plumas | 1,094 | 19.3% | 25 | 347 | 23.2% | 28 |
| Riverside | 86,989 | 19.7% | 27 | 33,351 | 22.7% | 26 |
| Sacramento | 78,926 | 24.5% | 37 | 27,189 | 26.9% | 35 |
| San Benito | 2,344 | 15.4% | 15 | 834 | 17.6% | 13 |
| San Bernardino | 124,005 | 22.9% | 34 | 46,074 | 25.7% | 31 |
| San Diego | 165,161 | 22.7% | 32 | 67,513 | 28.2% | 42 |
| San Francisco | 26,549 | 20.6% | 29 | 9,101 | 22.3% | 21 |
| San Joaquin | 46,657 | 27.2% | 46 | 15,863 | 29.1% | 44 |
| San Luis Obispo | 9,326 | 16.7% | 17 | 3,456 | 20.1% | 18 |
| San Mateo | 15,814 | 9.6% | 2 | 6,118 | 11.2% | 3 |
| Santa Barbara | 19,210 | 19.3% | 25 | 7,355 | 22.3% | 22 |
| Santa Clara | 55,673 | 13.4% | 11 | 20,163 | 15.1% | 8 |
| Santa Cruz | 11,031 | 17.8% | 22 | 4,267 | 21.7% | 20 |
| Shasta | 11,470 | 24.0% | 35 | 3,881 | 27.6% | 39 |
| Sierra | 102 | 10.6% | 4 | 27 | 9.6% | 1 |
| Siskiyou | 3,249 | 25.8% | 41 | 1,038 | 32.6% | 51 |
| Solano | 15,508 | 13.5% | 12 | 5,783 | 16.4% | 11 |
| Sonoma | 15,018 | 13.3% | 10 | 5,579 | 16.0% | 9 |
| Stanislaus | 34,372 | 24.6% | 38 | 12,233 | 27.9% | 41 |
| Sutter | 5,365 | 22.7% | 32 | 1,907 | 26.6% | 34 |
| Tehama | 4,358 | 27.7% | 48 | 1,368 | 29.9% | 47 |
| Trinity | 972 | 25.6% | 40 | 250 | 24.8% | 30 |
| Tulare | 47,181 | 37.3% | 58 | 17,419 | 44.7% | 57 |
| Tuolumne | 2,266 | 17.6% | 21 | 762 | 22.7% | 25 |
| Ventura | 29,450 | 13.8% | 14 | 11,800 | 17.8% | 14 |
| Yolo | 8,290 | 20.4% | 28 | 2,961 | 22.7% | 27 |
| Yuba | 7,279 | 34.0% | 55 | 2,141 | 29.5% | 46 |

Source: Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program, Bureau of the Census. Population as of July 1996. These estimates were released in February 1999. Note: Poverty estimate for children under age 5 includes children 5-17 in foster care.

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# Children Receiving TANF

1996-1998 percent of child population ages 0-17 receiving Temporary Aid to Needy Families

| | 1996-1998 Avg. # children 0-17 | 1996-1998 % children 0-17 | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 % children 0-17 | 1997 % children 0-17 | 1998 % children 0-17 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 1,613,321 | 17.5% | | 19.8% | 17.6% | 15.2% |
| Alameda | 58,960 | 16.3% | 28 | 18.7% | 16.3% | 14.0% |
| Alpine | 68 | 28.7% | 52 | 37.8% | 26.2% | 21.4% |
| Amador | 667 | 10.3% | 14 | 10.8% | 10.8% | 9.4% |
| Butte | 13,644 | 27.7% | 49 | 30.3% | 27.6% | 25.1% |
| Calaveras | 1,444 | 16.4% | 29 | 18.2% | 17.1% | 14.0% |
| Colusa | 619 | 11.0% | 17 | 12.5% | 11.2% | 9.3% |
| Contra Costa | 27,626 | 12.0% | 19 | 13.4% | 12.0% | 10.5% |
| Del Norte | 2,245 | 31.6% | 56 | 34.3% | 32.8% | 27.8% |
| El Dorado | 3,090 | 8.2% | 6 | 9.8% | 8.0% | 6.7% |
| Fresno | 76,251 | 29.9% | 54 | 32.7% | 29.7% | 27.4% |
| Glenn | 1,660 | 20.2% | 36 | 22.1% | 19.8% | 18.8% |
| Humboldt | 6,829 | 21.6% | 37 | 23.7% | 21.5% | 19.5% |
| Imperial | 12,590 | 27.0% | 48 | 29.6% | 27.2% | 24.2% |
| Inyo | 703 | 16.0% | 26 | 17.7% | 16.7% | 13.6% |
| Kern | 47,903 | 23.5% | 43 | 26.0% | 23.4% | 21.2% |
| Kings | 7,423 | 20.1% | 35 | 23.5% | 20.4% | 16.6% |
| Lake | 4,247 | 31.7% | 57 | 34.8% | 31.8% | 28.5% |
| Lassen | 1,564 | 22.1% | 39 | 25.1% | 21.7% | 19.6% |
| Los Angeles | 550,951 | 20.0% | 34 | 22.1% | 20.2% | 17.9% |
| Madera | 8,201 | 24.6% | 44 | 26.7% | 24.5% | 22.5% |
| Marin | 2,189 | 4.4% | 1 | 5.2% | 4.5% | 3.6% |
| Mariposa | 650 | 18.5% | 31 | 20.0% | 19.0% | 16.4% |
| Mendocino | 4,407 | 19.7% | 33 | 22.0% | 19.9% | 17.3% |
| Merced | 21,982 | 31.4% | 55 | 35.4% | 31.8% | 27.1% |
| Modoc | 706 | 28.8% | 53 | 32.7% | 27.2% | 26.5% |
| Mono | 176 | 6.6% | 3 | 6.8% | 6.9% | 6.2% |
| Monterey | 14,823 | 13.2% | 21 | 15.5% | 13.2% | 11.0% |
| Napa | 2,081 | 7.3% | 4 | 9.1% | 7.2% | 5.6% |
| Nevada | 1,671 | 8.4% | 8 | 10.6% | 8.2% | 6.4% |
| Orange | 64,758 | 8.7% | 10 | 10.5% | 8.7% | 7.0% |
| Placer | 4,368 | 7.6% | 5 | 9.3% | 7.7% | 6.0% |
| Plumas | 683 | 15.2% | 25 | 17.7% | 15.1% | 12.8% |
| Riverside | 68,980 | 16.1% | 27 | 18.6% | 16.4% | 13.5% |
| Sacramento | 91,753 | 28.4% | 50 | 30.4% | 28.7% | 26.2% |
| San Benito | 1,552 | 11.3% | 18 | 14.2% | 11.3% | 8.7% |
| San Bernardino | 118,017 | 22.4% | 41 | 25.5% | 22.7% | 19.0% |
| San Diego | 109,602 | 14.6% | 23 | 17.3% | 14.7% | 11.9% |
| San Francisco | 17,589 | 12.1% | 20 | 14.4% | 11.9% | 9.9% |
| San Joaquin | 44,375 | 26.9% | 47 | 29.7% | 26.8% | 24.1% |
| San Luis Obispo | 5,446 | 10.3% | 13 | 12.0% | 10.5% | 8.5% |
| San Mateo | 8,188 | 4.8% | 2 | 6.4% | 4.8% | 3.2% |
| Santa Barbara | 11,267 | 11.0% | 16 | 12.6% | 10.9% | 9.6% |
| Santa Clara | 43,593 | 10.1% | 12 | 12.7% | 10.1% | 7.6% |
| Santa Cruz | 5,946 | 9.4% | 11 | 11.2% | 9.6% | 7.6% |
| Shasta | 10,798 | 24.9% | 45 | 27.1% | 25.4% | 22.2% |
| Sierra | 80 | 10.8% | 15 | 11.2% | 10.4% | 10.7% |
| Siskiyou | 2,681 | 25.1% | 46 | 28.4% | 25.8% | 21.1% |
| Solano | 15,115 | 13.6% | 22 | 14.9% | 13.8% | 12.2% |
| Sonoma | 9,229 | 8.5% | 9 | 10.4% | 8.8% | 6.4% |
| Stanislaus | 28,904 | 21.8% | 38 | 24.8% | 22.2% | 18.4% |
| Sutter | 3,289 | 15.0% | 24 | 16.4% | 15.2% | 13.6% |
| Tehama | 3,319 | 23.2% | 42 | 25.7% | 22.9% | 21.0% |
| Trinity | 692 | 22.3% | 40 | 26.4% | 20.8% | 19.3% |
| Tulare | 34,348 | 28.6% | 51 | 32.0% | 28.6% | 25.3% |
| Tuolumne | 1,983 | 18.2% | 30 | 20.3% | 18.4% | 16.0% |
| Ventura | 16,911 | 8.3% | 7 | 9.8% | 8.4% | 6.7% |
| Yolo | 7,499 | 18.9% | 32 | 21.3% | 19.1% | 16.3% |
| Yuba | 6,986 | 33.8% | 58 | 38.1% | 33.3% | 30.1% |

Source: Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section. Note: Data represents children receiving TANF for July 1996, July 1997 and July 1998.

# Children Receiving TANF

1996-1998 percent of child population ages 0-5 receiving Temporary Aid to Needy Families

| | 1996-1998 Avg. # children 0-5 | 1996-1998 % children 0-5 | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 % children 0-5 | 1997 % children 0-5 | 1998 % children 0-5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 657,554 | 19.3% | | 22.3% | 19.3% | 16.3% |
| Alameda | 22,863 | 17.5% | 22 | 20.7% | 17.4% | 14.4% |
| Alpine | 23 | 36.8% | 54 | 50.8% | 33.9% | 24.1% |
| Amador | 257 | 14.5% | 19 | 15.2% | 15.2% | 13.1% |
| Butte | 5,179 | 33.6% | 52 | 38.2% | 33.8% | 28.8% |
| Calaveras | 504 | 21.0% | 27 | 24.8% | 21.2% | 17.1% |
| Colusa | 272 | 13.9% | 17 | 16.2% | 13.5% | 11.9% |
| Contra Costa | 11,096 | 14.3% | 18 | 16.5% | 14.2% | 12.2% |
| Del Norte | 821 | 39.2% | 58 | 44.6% | 40.0% | 32.9% |
| El Dorado | 1,161 | 10.4% | 8 | 12.4% | 10.2% | 8.7% |
| Fresno | 30,073 | 32.4% | 51 | 36.0% | 31.8% | 29.3% |
| Glenn | 628 | 23.0% | 31 | 25.8% | 22.5% | 20.6% |
| Humboldt | 2,514 | 26.2% | 38 | 29.7% | 26.1% | 22.7% |
| Imperial | 4,602 | 27.4% | 40 | 30.0% | 27.3% | 24.7% |
| Inyo | 302 | 22.5% | 29 | 24.8% | 23.7% | 19.1% |
| Kern | 20,483 | 27.9% | 42 | 31.4% | 27.5% | 24.9% |
| Kings | 3,160 | 23.5% | 32 | 27.6% | 23.5% | 19.2% |
| Lake | 1,548 | 38.1% | 57 | 42.2% | 37.2% | 34.6% |
| Lassen | 649 | 32.2% | 50 | 37.9% | 31.3% | 27.7% |
| Los Angeles | 229,008 | 21.4% | 28 | 24.0% | 21.5% | 18.6% |
| Madera | 3,720 | 30.6% | 46 | 33.6% | 30.0% | 28.3% |
| Marin | 887 | 5.2% | 1 | 6.2% | 5.4% | 4.1% |
| Mariposa | 231 | 22.6% | 30 | 23.3% | 23.5% | 20.8% |
| Mendocino | 1,656 | 24.5% | 35 | 27.9% | 24.2% | 21.2% |
| Merced | 8,544 | 35.1% | 53 | 40.3% | 35.5% | 29.4% |
| Modoc | 261 | 37.4% | 56 | 48.2% | 33.7% | 30.5% |
| Mono | 71 | 8.9% | 4 | 10.6% | 7.9% | 8.1% |
| Monterey | 6,549 | 15.5% | 20 | 18.4% | 15.3% | 12.9% |
| Napa | 910 | 9.8% | 6 | 12.5% | 9.7% | 7.1% |
| Nevada | 647 | 11.9% | 13 | 15.6% | 11.2% | 9.0% |

| | 1996-1998 Avg. # children 0-5 | 1996-1998 % children 0-5 | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 % children 0-5 | 1997 % children 0-5 | 1998 % children 0-5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Orange | 26,524 | 8.9% | 3 | 11.0% | 8.7% | 6.9% |
| Placer | 1,766 | 9.7% | 5 | 12.4% | 9.6% | 7.3% |
| Plumas | 258 | 23.7% | 33 | 29.4% | 22.7% | 18.7% |
| Riverside | 29,157 | 19.3% | 25 | 22.5% | 19.4% | 15.8% |
| Sacramento | 36,106 | 31.9% | 48 | 35.0% | 32.2% | 28.4% |
| San Benito | 653 | 13.3% | 15 | 17.2% | 13.1% | 10.0% |
| San Bernardino | 49,085 | 26.2% | 39 | 30.7% | 26.7% | 21.1% |
| San Diego | 44,495 | 15.6% | 21 | 18.9% | 15.6% | 12.2% |
| San Francisco | 6,489 | 11.7% | 12 | 14.1% | 11.7% | 9.3% |
| San Joaquin | 16,942 | 30.0% | 44 | 34.0% | 29.9% | 26.2% |
| San Luis Obispo | 2,207 | 13.5% | 16 | 16.0% | 13.5% | 10.8% |
| San Mateo | 3,566 | 5.7% | 2 | 7.9% | 5.6% | 3.6% |
| Santa Barbara | 4,910 | 13.0% | 14 | 14.7% | 12.8% | 11.4% |
| Santa Clara | 17,509 | 10.9% | 10 | 14.2% | 10.8% | 7.9% |
| Santa Cruz | 2,526 | 11.3% | 11 | 13.1% | 11.4% | 9.2% |
| Shasta | 4,054 | 31.1% | 47 | 34.5% | 31.6% | 27.2% |
| Sierra | 31 | 24.9% | 36 | 25.4% | 27.3% | 22.1% |
| Siskiyou | 882 | 30.3% | 45 | 35.5% | 31.9% | 23.8% |
| Solano | 6,380 | 17.5% | 23 | 19.7% | 17.6% | 15.2% |
| Sonoma | 3,667 | 10.6% | 9 | 13.1% | 10.9% | 7.7% |
| Stanislaus | 11,258 | 25.1% | 37 | 29.0% | 25.5% | 20.7% |
| Sutter | 1,327 | 17.7% | 24 | 19.8% | 17.5% | 15.6% |
| Tehama | 1,285 | 28.6% | 43 | 32.6% | 28.1% | 25.0% |
| Trinity | 227 | 27.7% | 41 | 34.5% | 25.3% | 23.1% |
| Tulare | 14,050 | 32.2% | 49 | 36.5% | 32.0% | 28.1% |
| Tuolumne | 725 | 24.0% | 34 | 26.4% | 24.6% | 20.9% |
| Ventura | 7,377 | 10.2% | 7 | 12.3% | 10.2% | 8.0% |
| Yolo | 2,906 | 21.0% | 26 | 24.3% | 21.1% | 17.4% |
| Yuba | 2,572 | 36.9% | 55 | 42.4% | 36.0% | 32.1% |

Source: Department of Health Services, Medical Care Statistics Section. Note: Data represents children receiving TANF for July 1996, July 1997 and July 1998.

# Children & Infants Receiving WIC 1997-1998

| | Number of participants ages 0-4 | % child ages 0-4 eligible | 1997-1998 Rank |
|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 942,858 | 68.4% | |
| Alameda | 23,967 | 60.6% | 35 |
| Alpine | 54 | 150.0% | 1 |
| Amador | 338 | 58.8% | 40 |
| Butte | 4,760 | 64.0% | 28 |
| Calaveras | 351 | 42.0% | 56 |
| Colusa | 812 | 70.4% | 15 |
| Contra Costa | 11,677 | 68.1% | 19 |
| Del Norte | 871 | 80.4% | 6 |
| El Dorado | 1,462 | 48.4% | 54 |
| Fresno | 18,505 | 36.7% | 58 |
| Glenn | 1,152 | 78.2% | 10 |
| Humboldt | 2,497 | 56.4% | 45 |
| Imperial | 5,034 | 61.3% | 34 |
| Inyo | 514 | 71.0% | 14 |
| Kern | 43,781 | 116.0% | 3 |
| Kings | 3,088 | 49.6% | 52 |
| Lake | 1,365 | 65.8% | 23 |
| Lassen | 563 | 64.0% | 29 |
| Los Angeles | 385,940 | 80.2% | 8 |
| Madera | 4,431 | 64.6% | 27 |
| Marin | 1,414 | 40.2% | 57 |
| Mariposa | 231 | 59.8% | 39 |
| Mendocino | 2,197 | 60.0% | 38 |
| Merced | 9,529 | 71.2% | 13 |
| Modoc | 261 | 65.4% | 25 |
| Mono | 220 | 68.5% | 18 |
| Monterey | 13,752 | 66.3% | 22 |
| Napa | 2,258 | 80.2% | 7 |
| Nevada | 1,097 | 68.7% | 16 |
| Orange | 72,301 | 71.3% | 12 |
| Placer | 1,926 | 52.1% | 51 |
| Plumas | 430 | 84.3% | 5 |
| Riverside | 36,464 | 57.8% | 41 |
| Sacramento | 24,019 | 56.4% | 46 |
| San Benito | 1,469 | 79.7% | 9 |
| San Bernardino | 43,318 | 52.7% | 50 |
| San Diego | 77,621 | 64.9% | 26 |
| San Francisco | 13,323 | 74.4% | 11 |
| San Joaquin | 13,767 | 57.2% | 44 |
| San Luis Obispo | 2,740 | 48.6% | 53 |
| San Mateo | 9,018 | 61.3% | 33 |
| Santa Barbara | 10,698 | 65.6% | 24 |
| Santa Clara | 17,498 | 42.7% | 55 |
| Santa Cruz | 4,992 | 60.2% | 36 |
| Shasta | 3,625 | 57.3% | 43 |
| Sierra | 45 | 125.0% | 2 |
| Siskiyou | 973 | 62.4% | 30 |
| Solano | 7,003 | 55.1% | 48 |
| Sonoma | 6,199 | 60.1% | 37 |
| Stanislaus | 11,802 | 61.8% | 32 |
| Sutter | 2,193 | 67.3% | 20 |
| Tehama | 1,623 | 68.6% | 17 |
| Trinity | 297 | 66.9% | 21 |
| Tulare | 15,216 | 62.1% | 31 |
| Tuolumne | 662 | 55.9% | 47 |
| Ventura | 13,715 | 53.7% | 49 |
| Yolo | 5,291 | 99.1% | 4 |
| Yuba | 2,509 | 57.6% | 42 |

Source: WIC Branch, DHS. Note: 1) Participation data as of June 1998. Eligibility data is for July 1997 June 1998 State fiscal year. 2) Due to estimate calculation, some small population counties reflect more children participating in WIC program than number eligible. This may not represent actual circumstances.

# Fair Market Rent 1998

| | 2 Bedroom Apartments | FMR as % of mo. minimum wage income | Rank |
|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | n/a | | |
| Alameda | $812 | 84.7% | 50 |
| Alpine | $510 | 53.2% | 15 |
| Amador | $611 | 63.8% | 33 |
| Butte | $554 | 57.8% | 23 |
| Calaveras | $561 | 58.5% | 24 |
| Colusa | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Contra Costa | $812 | 84.7% | 50 |
| Del Norte | $561 | 58.5% | 24 |
| El Dorado | $648 | 67.6% | 35 |
| Fresno | $533 | 55.6% | 20 |
| Glenn | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Humboldt | $564 | 58.9% | 27 |
| Imperial | $523 | 54.6% | 17 |
| Inyo | $540 | 56.3% | 22 |
| Kern | $499 | 52.1% | 13 |
| Kings | $506 | 52.8% | 14 |
| Lake | $575 | 60.0% | 28 |
| Lassen | $485 | 50.6% | 10 |
| Los Angeles | $737 | 76.9% | 47 |
| Madera | $533 | 55.6% | 20 |
| Marin | $987 | 103.0% | 55 |
| Mariposa | $531 | 55.4% | 19 |
| Mendocino | $616 | 64.3% | 34 |
| Merced | $528 | 55.1% | 18 |
| Modoc | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Mono | $732 | 76.4% | 45 |
| Monterey | $733 | 76.5% | 46 |
| Napa | $711 | 74.2% | 42 |
| Nevada | $686 | 71.6% | 40 |
| Orange | $858 | 89.5% | 53 |
| Placer | $648 | 67.6% | 35 |
| Plumas | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Riverside | $587 | 61.3% | 30 |
| Sacramento | $648 | 67.6% | 35 |
| San Benito | $665 | 69.4% | 39 |
| San Bernardino | $587 | 61.3% | 30 |
| San Diego | $691 | 72.1% | 41 |
| San Francisco | $987 | 103.0% | 55 |
| San Joaquin | $581 | 60.6% | 29 |
| San Luis Obispo | $714 | 74.5% | 44 |
| San Mateo | $987 | 103.0% | 55 |
| Santa Barbara | $852 | 88.9% | 52 |
| Santa Clara | $987 | 103.0% | 55 |
| Santa Cruz | $985 | 102.8% | 54 |
| Shasta | $510 | 53.2% | 15 |
| Sierra | $497 | 51.9% | 11 |
| Siskiyou | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Solano | $711 | 74.2% | 42 |
| Sonoma | $782 | 81.6% | 49 |
| Stanislaus | $562 | 58.6% | 26 |
| Sutter | $479 | 50.0% | 8 |
| Tehama | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Trinity | $474 | 49.5% | 1 |
| Tulare | $497 | 51.9% | 11 |
| Tuolumne | $606 | 63.2% | 32 |
| Ventura | $781 | 81.5% | 48 |
| Yolo | $652 | 68.0% | 38 |
| Yuba | $479 | 50.0% | 8 |

Source: United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. Note: n/a =Not available.

# Babies Born to Mothers with less than 12 Yrs. Education, 1995-1997

| | Avg. # born to women less 12 yrs. ed | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | 1995-1997 Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 176,710 | 32.8% | | 33.6% | 33.1% | 31.8% |
| Alameda | 3,968 | 19.1% | 12 | 19.6% | 19.3% | 18.4% |
| Alpine | 4 | 46.4% | NR | 54.5% | 30.0% | 57.1% |
| Amador | 41 | 15.1% | 5 | 13.0% | 16.3% | 15.9% |
| Butte | 693 | 28.7% | 29 | 29.3% | 28.2% | 28.6% |
| Calaveras | 57 | 16.6% | 8 | 16.5% | 16.9% | 16.5% |
| Colusa | 156 | 50.6% | 55 | 49.2% | 51.3% | 51.5% |
| Contra Costa | 2,031 | 16.4% | 7 | 16.9% | 16.8% | 15.6% |
| Del Norte | 106 | 32.9% | 35 | 33.5% | 31.8% | 33.3% |
| El Dorado | 266 | 15.8% | 6 | 15.4% | 16.2% | 15.8% |
| Fresno | 6,536 | 44.7% | 51 | 45.5% | 44.8% | 43.9% |
| Glenn | 189 | 43.2% | 49 | 44.1% | 43.9% | 41.7% |
| Humboldt | 303 | 20.0% | 14 | 21.6% | 20.5% | 17.9% |
| Imperial | 855 | 34.1% | 40 | 34.7% | 33.6% | 34.0% |
| Inyo | 65 | 29.9% | 30 | 34.3% | 26.7% | 27.9% |
| Kern | 4,145 | 35.8% | 43 | 37.8% | 35.2% | 34.1% |
| Kings | 812 | 37.6% | 45 | 37.7% | 38.3% | 36.7% |
| Lake | 171 | 28.2% | 28 | 29.0% | 30.5% | 24.8% |
| Lassen | 59 | 19.3% | 13 | 22.5% | 20.5% | 15.2% |
| Los Angeles | 69,003 | 40.9% | 48 | 42.2% | 41.3% | 39.2% |
| Madera | 953 | 47.7% | 53 | 48.3% | 47.8% | 47.1% |
| Marin | 367 | 13.9% | 2 | 12.4% | 14.6% | 14.7% |
| Mariposa | 22 | 14.8% | 4 | 17.2% | 14.9% | 11.9% |
| Mendocino | 276 | 26.1% | 24 | 26.5% | 25.0% | 26.6% |
| Merced | 1,688 | 44.5% | 50 | 45.6% | 44.5% | 43.4% |
| Modoc | 19 | 17.1% | 9 | 16.4% | 17.5% | 17.3% |
| Mono | 41 | 32.9% | 36 | 33.8% | 30.8% | 33.9% |
| Monterey | 3,077 | 45.8% | 52 | 46.5% | 45.3% | 45.4% |
| Napa | 454 | 30.5% | 31 | 31.5% | 29.8% | 30.1% |
| Nevada | 113 | 14.0% | 3 | 11.2% | 14.7% | 16.3% |
| Orange | 15,994 | 33.3% | 37 | 33.5% | 33.9% | 32.5% |
| Placer | 305 | 11.1% | 1 | 11.6% | 10.9% | 10.7% |
| Plumas | 29 | 18.2% | NR | 21.4% | 23.0% | 10.3% |
| Riverside | 7,651 | 32.3% | 33 | 32.5% | 32.5% | 31.9% |
| Sacramento | 4,298 | 23.9% | 22 | 25.2% | 23.3% | 23.1% |
| San Benito | 302 | 36.5% | 44 | 35.8% | 39.7% | 34.2% |
| San Bernardino | 9,889 | 33.8% | 38 | 34.0% | 34.2% | 33.2% |
| San Diego | 11,940 | 26.7% | 25 | 27.4% | 26.8% | 25.9% |
| San Francisco | 1,799 | 21.5% | 19 | 21.7% | 21.7% | 20.9% |
| San Joaquin | 2,867 | 32.4% | 34 | 34.6% | 32.3% | 30.3% |
| San Luis Obispo | 540 | 21.2% | 18 | 21.1% | 21.5% | 21.0% |
| San Mateo | 2,006 | 20.0% | 16 | 19.7% | 20.4% | 20.0% |
| Santa Barbara | 2,207 | 37.7% | 46 | 37.0% | 38.2% | 37.7% |
| Santa Clara | 5,518 | 20.9% | 17 | 21.4% | 21.3% | 20.2% |
| Santa Cruz | 1,211 | 34.8% | 41 | 36.2% | 35.3% | 32.8% |
| Shasta | 463 | 22.8% | 20 | 22.6% | 23.2% | 22.7% |
| Sierra | 3 | 19.6% | NR | 13.0% | 6.3% | 50.0% |
| Siskiyou | 97 | 20.0% | 15 | 20.7% | 19.2% | 20.2% |
| Solano | 999 | 17.6% | 10 | 17.5% | 18.2% | 17.2% |
| Sonoma | 1,356 | 24.9% | 23 | 24.0% | 25.2% | 25.4% |
| Stanislaus | 2,406 | 34.0% | 39 | 34.5% | 33.8% | 33.6% |
| Sutter | 361 | 30.8% | 32 | 31.3% | 29.0% | 32.1% |
| Tehama | 236 | 34.9% | 42 | 33.4% | 35.9% | 35.6% |
| Trinity | 28 | 23.1% | 21 | 25.2% | 20.0% | 25.0% |
| Tulare | 3,432 | 48.4% | 54 | 50.4% | 48.3% | 46.4% |
| Tuolumne | 84 | 17.7% | 11 | 19.5% | 15.8% | 17.8% |
| Ventura | 3,177 | 27.2% | 26 | 26.6% | 27.8% | 27.3% |
| Yolo | 602 | 28.0% | 27 | 28.4% | 28.4% | 27.3% |
| Yuba | 442 | 39.9% | 47 | 41.5% | 39.6% | 38.5% |

Source: Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of infants born to women with less than 12 years education. NR = Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Child Care

Infant slots and monthly costs 1998

|  | % Infant slots | Infant % slots Rank | Infant care Dollars | Rank | Preschool care Dollars | Rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 4% |  | $651 |  | $467 |  |
| Alameda | 6% | 12 | $704 | 31 | $569 | 48 |
| Alpine | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Amador | 2% | 40 | $390 | 5 | $294 | 4 |
| Butte | 8% | 5 | $467 | 13 | $314 | 8 |
| Calaveras | 4% | 31 | $360 | 3 | $325 | 11 |
| Colusa | 4% | 22 | NA | NA | $294 | 3 |
| Contra Costa | 4% | 20 | $749 | 35 | $553 | 47 |
| Del Norte | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $225 | 1 |
| El Dorado | 6% | 9 | $440 | 8 | $407 | 30 |
| Fresno | 5% | 15 | $543 | 20 | $407 | 31 |
| Glenn | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $350 | 18 |
| Humboldt | 4% | 24 | $456 | 10 | $372 | 23 |
| Imperial | 6% | 10 | $360 | 3 | $324 | 10 |
| Inyo | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $405 | 29 |
| Kern | 5% | 18 | $461 | 12 | $333 | 15 |
| Kings | 1% | 46 | $450 | 9 | $297 | 5 |
| Lake | 6% | 13 | $524 | 19 | $418 | 34 |
| Lassen | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Los Angeles | 4% | 29 | $595 | 24 | $461 | 43 |
| Madera | 4% | 30 | $319 | 1 | $300 | 6 |
| Marin | 8% | 4 | $745 | 34 | $622 | 51 |
| Mariposa | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $260 | 2 |
| Mendocino | 2% | 39 | NA | NA | $398 | 27 |
| Merced | 4% | 32 | NA | NA | $333 | 16 |
| Modoc | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Mono | 17% | 1 | NA | NA | $400 | 28 |
| Monterey | 5% | 14 | $621 | 27 | $443 | 41 |
| Napa | 4% | 19 | $391 | 6 | $419 | 35 |
| Nevada | 3% | 35 | $523 | 18 | $389 | 26 |
| Orange | 4% | 21 | $713 | 32 | $486 | 45 |
| Placer | 2% | 38 | $562 | 21 | $433 | 37 |
| Plumas | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Riverside | 4% | 23 | $562 | 22 | $369 | 22 |
| Sacramento | 6% | 8 | $634 | 29 | $436 | 38 |
| San Benito | 15% | 2 | NA | NA | $443 | 40 |
| San Bernardino | 4% | 25 | $507 | 17 | $382 | 25 |
| San Diego | 3% | 34 | $599 | 26 | $421 | 36 |
| San Francisco | 3% | 33 | $922 | 38 | $623 | 52 |
| San Joaquin | 5% | 17 | $486 | 16 | $367 | 21 |
| San Luis Obispo | 1% | 45 | $322 | 2 | $326 | 13 |
| San Mateo | 5% | 16 | $835 | 36 | $575 | 49 |
| Santa Barbara | 3% | 36 | $669 | 30 | $459 | 42 |
| Santa Clara | 7% | 7 | $901 | 37 | $608 | 50 |
| Santa Cruz | 6% | 11 | $717 | 33 | $525 | 46 |
| Shasta | 4% | 26 | $480 | 14 | $361 | 20 |
| Sierra | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Siskiyou | 2% | 41 | NA | NA | $326 | 12 |
| Solano | 4% | 27 | NA | NA | $417 | 33 |
| Sonoma | 2% | 37 | $593 | 23 | $476 | 44 |
| Stanislaus | 7% | 6 | $481 | 15 | $382 | 24 |
| Sutter | 2% | 42 | $439 | 7 | $331 | 14 |
| Tehama | 1% | 44 | NA | NA | $340 | 17 |
| Trinity | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Tulare | 1% | 43 | $458 | 11 | $312 | 7 |
| Tuolumne | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $350 | 18 |
| Ventura | 4% | 28 | $598 | 25 | $415 | 32 |
| Yolo | 9% | 3 | $625 | 28 | $442 | 39 |
| Yuba | 0% | 47 | NA | NA | $314 | 9 |

Source: "The 1999 California Child Care Portfolio," California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, San Francisco, CA (Publication forthcoming). Note: NA -Not available.

# Child Support

percent cases with orders

| | 1996-1998 Avg. child support cases w/ order of support | 1996-1998 Avg. %child support cases w/ order of support | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 % child support cases w/ order of support | 1997 % child support cases w/ order of support | 1998 % child support cases w/ order of support |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 1,183,921 | 56.4% | | 48.1% | 58.5% | 64.5% |
| Alameda | 52,241 | 86.5% | 2 | 82.9% | 88.9% | 87.7% |
| Alpine | NR | NR | NR | 78.2% | NR | NR |
| Amador | 1,664 | 78.1% | 10 | 75.2% | 71.5% | 87.2% |
| Butte | 10,730 | 49.6% | 41 | 42.4% | 51.1% | 54.4% |
| Calaveras | 2,080 | 63.1% | 29 | 54.8% | 62.0% | 74.0% |
| Colusa | 994 | 64.8% | 27 | 57.9% | 56.3% | 78.7% |
| Contra Costa | 40,813 | 60.3% | 33 | 54.5% | 63.8% | 63.2% |
| Del Norte | 2,480 | 48.2% | 42 | 70.0% | 47.4% | 32.3% |
| El Dorado | 8,970 | 83.0% | 5 | 77.7% | 85.0% | 86.7% |
| Fresno | 64,853 | 77.0% | 13 | 70.9% | 77.8% | 82.5% |
| Glenn | 1,558 | 65.1% | 26 | 69.8% | 62.8% | 62.5% |
| Humboldt | 6,569 | 77.6% | 11 | 76.3% | 76.9% | 79.4% |
| Imperial | 8,219 | 78.6% | 9 | 73.1% | 81.4% | 81.7% |
| Inyo | NR | NR | NR | 80.5% | NR | NR |
| Kern | 47,765 | 75.1% | 15 | 66.0% | 78.1% | 83.6% |
| Kings | 8,974 | 76.8% | 14 | 73.7% | 76.6% | 80.5% |
| Lake | NR | NR | NR | 50.7% | NR | NR |
| Lassen | 1,438 | 66.6% | 23 | 73.9% | 71.6% | 55.4% |
| Los Angeles | 262,634 | 47.6% | 43 | 34.7% | 52.0% | 59.7% |
| Madera | 5,985 | 70.6% | 18 | 68.3% | 70.4% | 72.9% |
| Marin | 3,843 | 84.7% | 3 | 86.2% | 84.3% | 83.7% |
| Mariposa | NR | NR | NR | 61.5% | NR | NR |
| Mendocino | NA | NA | NR | 60.0% | NA | NA |
| Merced | 14,677 | 82.3% | 6 | 81.7% | 83.7% | 81.4% |
| Modoc | 668 | 51.0% | 40 | 54.7% | 51.2% | 47.0% |
| Mono | NR | NR | NR | 39.6% | NR | NR |
| Monterey | 15,335 | 57.3% | 38 | 49.6% | 60.8% | 61.5% |
| Napa | 4,294 | 66.7% | 22 | 64.9% | 62.3% | 72.2% |
| Nevada | 5,393 | 69.8% | 20 | 66.7% | 69.9% | 72.9% |
| Orange | 84,557 | 58.3% | 36 | 51.1% | 59.8% | 64.0% |
| Placer | 4,998 | 35.0% | 47 | 43.9% | 36.2% | 25.2% |
| Plumas | 757 | NR | NR | 54.0% | NR | NR |
| Riverside | 78,228 | 56.1% | 39 | 51.2% | 56.6% | 61.5% |
| Sacramento | 37,869 | 46.4% | 44 | 38.5% | 49.6% | 52.4% |
| San Benito | 2,608 | 59.2% | 35 | 53.9% | 61.1% | 62.6% |
| San Bernardino | 53,371 | 34.7% | 48 | 25.2% | 40.6% | 39.5% |
| San Diego | 80,066 | 44.1% | 46 | 29.1% | 41.0% | 63.9% |
| San Francisco | 28,417 | 79.3% | 8 | 78.4% | 78.7% | 80.8% |
| San Joaquin | 32,296 | 68.8% | 21 | 63.9% | 71.5% | 71.5% |
| San Luis Obispo | NR | NR | NR | 85.3% | NR | NR |
| San Mateo | 15,045 | 59.4% | 34 | 51.1% | 58.0% | 71.8% |
| Santa Barbara | 22,595 | 84.1% | 4 | 76.2% | 87.4% | 89.0% |
| Santa Clara | 51,157 | 63.9% | 28 | 55.9% | 63.9% | 73.6% |
| Santa Cruz | 5,569 | 57.8% | 37 | 45.2% | 65.5% | 66.5% |
| Shasta | 15,714 | 71.9% | 17 | 76.5% | 67.9% | 71.9% |
| Sierra | 159 | 88.3% | 1 | 90.4% | 87.8% | 86.9% |
| Siskiyou | 4,114 | 77.6% | 12 | 75.5% | 77.2% | 80.3% |
| Solano | 18,025 | 63.0% | 30 | 56.1% | 63.9% | 69.3% |
| Sonoma | 18,737 | 79.7% | 7 | 75.4% | 81.2% | 82.8% |
| Stanislaus | 27,910 | 73.9% | 16 | 70.0% | 75.1% | 76.5% |
| Sutter | 5,296 | 66.0% | 24 | 62.1% | 67.8% | 68.5% |
| Tehama | 4,475 | 69.8% | 19 | 62.7% | 72.3% | 75.3% |
| Trinity | NR | NR | NR | 54.2% | NR | NR |
| Tulare | 29,600 | 62.5% | 32 | 55.8% | 61.8% | 70.0% |
| Tuolumne | 3,345 | 65.3% | 25 | 57.1% | 65.0% | 75.5% |
| Ventura | NA | NA | NA | 60.3% | NA | NA |
| Yolo | 8,665 | 63.0% | 31 | 64.7% | 63.3% | 61.0% |
| Yuba | 6,430 | 44.3% | 45 | 41.5% | 46.8% | 45.0% |

Source: National Center for Youth Law. Note: 1) NA =Not available 2) NR =Not reliable

# Child Support

collection per cases with orders

| | 1996-1998 Avg. child support cases w/ order of support | 1996-1998 Avg. collection per cases w/orders per month | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 collections per cases w/orders per month | 1997 collections per cases w/orders per month | 1998 collections per cases w/orders per month |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 1,183,921 | $88 | | $78 | $91 | $95 |
| Alameda | 52,241 | $103 | 11 | $103 | $102 | $105 |
| Alpine | NR | NR | NR | $102 | NR | NR |
| Amador | 1,664 | $100 | 14 | $99 | $110 | $92 |
| Butte | 10,730 | $79 | 31 | $84 | $79 | $75 |
| Calaveras | 2,080 | $75 | 35 | $70 | $77 | $79 |
| Colusa | 994 | $83 | 25 | $89 | $90 | $74 |
| Contra Costa | 40,813 | $77 | 33 | $66 | $73 | $92 |
| Del Norte | 2,480 | $92 | 19 | $69 | $87 | $135 |
| El Dorado | 8,970 | $88 | 21 | $82 | $88 | $94 |
| Fresno | 64,853 | $75 | 36 | $73 | $75 | $78 |
| Glenn | 1,558 | $79 | 30 | $66 | $84 | $90 |
| Humboldt | 6,569 | $135 | 4 | $130 | $146 | $129 |
| Imperial | 8,219 | $104 | 10 | $82 | $118 | $110 |
| Inyo | 1,257 | NR | NR | $89 | NR | NR |
| Kern | 47,765 | $69 | 44 | $57 | $79 | $71 |
| Kings | 8,974 | $81 | 28 | $72 | $82 | $89 |
| Lake | 2,515 | NR | NR | $83 | NR | NR |
| Lassen | 1,438 | $102 | 13 | $93 | $97 | $118 |
| Los Angeles | 262,634 | $70 | 42 | $71 | $63 | $75 |
| Madera | 5,985 | $96 | 17 | $90 | $99 | $98 |
| Marin | 3,843 | $169 | 1 | $149 | $169 | $188 |
| Mariposa | 638 | NR | NR | $113 | NR | NR |
| Mendocino | NA | NA | NA | $104 | NA | NA |
| Merced | 14,677 | $105 | 9 | $94 | $108 | $112 |
| Modoc | 668 | $53 | 47 | $42 | $59 | $62 |
| Mono | 169 | NR | NR | $133 | NR | NR |
| Monterey | 15,335 | $103 | 12 | $100 | $102 | $106 |
| Napa | 4,294 | $125 | 6 | $115 | $150 | $115 |
| Nevada | 5,393 | $71 | 41 | $62 | $72 | $78 |
| Orange | 84,557 | $81 | 27 | $74 | $79 | $89 |
| Placer | 4,998 | $159 | 2 | $111 | $151 | $250 |
| Plumas | 757 | NR | NR | $150 | NR | NR |
| Riverside | 78,228 | $60 | 46 | $50 | $60 | $69 |
| Sacramento | 37,869 | $126 | 5 | $121 | $129 | $128 |
| San Benito | 2,608 | $74 | 37 | $69 | $75 | $76 |
| San Bernardino | 53,371 | $94 | 18 | $110 | $89 | $89 |
| San Diego | 80,066 | $80 | 29 | $78 | $87 | $77 |
| San Francisco | 28,417 | $74 | 38 | $71 | $72 | $77 |
| San Joaquin | 32,296 | $81 | 26 | $71 | $84 | $89 |
| San Luis Obispo | 3,187 | NR | NR | $116 | NR | NR |
| San Mateo | 15,045 | $117 | 8 | $108 | $119 | $122 |
| Santa Barbara | 22,595 | $68 | 45 | $64 | $69 | $70 |
| Santa Clara | 51,157 | $100 | 15 | $92 | $99 | $107 |
| Santa Cruz | 5,569 | $146 | 3 | $133 | $153 | $150 |
| Shasta | 15,714 | $70 | 43 | $65 | $70 | $73 |
| Sierra | 159 | $124 | 7 | $110 | $138 | $125 |
| Siskiyou | 4,114 | $85 | 23 | $73 | $85 | $97 |
| Solano | 18,025 | $86 | 22 | $78 | $86 | $93 |
| Sonoma | 18,737 | $98 | 16 | $85 | $101 | $106 |
| Stanislaus | 27,910 | $90 | 20 | $87 | $91 | $92 |
| Sutter | 5,296 | $76 | 34 | $72 | $78 | $77 |
| Tehama | 4,475 | $72 | 40 | $72 | $66 | $78 |
| Trinity | 688 | NR | NR | $66 | NR | NR |
| Tulare | 29,600 | $73 | 39 | $75 | $74 | $71 |
| Tuolumne | 3,345 | $78 | 32 | $69 | $74 | $91 |
| Ventura | NA | NA | NA | $82 | NA | NA |
| Yolo | 8,665 | $83 | 24 | $77 | $82 | $92 |
| Yuba | 6,430 | $42 | 48 | $40 | $42 | $42 |

Source: National Center for Youth Law Note: NA =Not available 1) NA =Not available 2) NR =Not reliable

# Median Yearly Income & Unemployment 1998

| | Yearly Income Dollars | Rank | Unemployment Rate | Rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | $38,979 | | 5.9% | |
| Alameda | $47,339 | 9 | 4.1% | 10 |
| Alpine | $30,206 | 43 | 9.5% | 37 |
| Amador | $37,792 | 23 | 5.4% | 16 |
| Butte | $29,927 | 46 | 8.3% | 31 |
| Calaveras | $34,663 | 31 | 8.8% | 33 |
| Colusa | $29,716 | 48 | 20.8% | 57 |
| Contra Costa | $56,247 | 3 | 3.6% | 7 |
| Del Norte | $29,794 | 47 | 10.3% | 39 |
| El Dorado | $45,224 | 10 | 4.9% | 14 |
| Fresno | $32,848 | 37 | 14.3% | 53 |
| Glenn | $27,875 | 52 | 13.5% | 51 |
| Humboldt | $30,181 | 44 | 7.2% | 24 |
| Imperial | $23,537 | 58 | 25.7% | 58 |
| Inyo | $32,057 | 40 | 7.3% | 25 |
| Kern | $34,119 | 33 | 12.1% | 45 |
| Kings | $30,042 | 45 | 13.7% | 52 |
| Lake | $27,007 | 54 | 9.3% | 35 |
| Lassen | $36,079 | 27 | 9.3% | 35 |
| Los Angeles | $35,863 | 28 | 6.5% | 22 |
| Madera | $33,548 | 34 | 12.8% | 48 |
| Marin | $56,471 | 2 | 2.3% | 1 |
| Mariposa | $31,104 | 42 | 7.8% | 27 |
| Mendocino | $31,882 | 41 | 7.9% | 28 |
| Merced | $28,757 | 49 | 15.1% | 54 |
| Modoc | $26,635 | 56 | 11.1% | 43 |
| Mono | $34,863 | 30 | 8.1% | 30 |
| Monterey | $36,534 | 26 | 10.8% | 42 |
| Napa | $43,867 | 11 | 4.0% | 9 |
| Nevada | $39,346 | 17 | 5.5% | 18 |
| Orange | $51,631 | 5 | 2.9% | 3 |
| Placer | $49,496 | 7 | 4.1% | 10 |
| Plumas | $32,610 | 39 | 10.1% | 38 |
| Riverside | $38,366 | 20 | 6.7% | 23 |
| Sacramento | $38,846 | 19 | 5.0% | 15 |
| San Benito | $42,119 | 14 | 10.4% | 40 |
| San Bernardino | $37,874 | 21 | 5.6% | 19 |
| San Diego | $39,479 | 16 | 3.5% | 6 |
| San Francisco | $40,131 | 15 | 3.7% | 8 |
| San Joaquin | $35,345 | 29 | 10.5% | 41 |
| San Luis Obispo | $37,830 | 22 | 4.2% | 12 |
| San Mateo | $54,023 | 4 | 2.4% | 2 |
| Santa Barbara | $39,108 | 18 | 4.4% | 13 |
| Santa Clara | $56,708 | 1 | 3.2% | 4 |
| Santa Cruz | $43,038 | 13 | 7.3% | 25 |
| Shasta | $32,612 | 38 | 9.1% | 34 |
| Sierra | $32,878 | 36 | 11.9% | 44 |
| Siskiyou | $28,019 | 50 | 12.6% | 47 |
| Solano | $48,098 | 8 | 5.6% | 19 |
| Sonoma | $43,484 | 12 | 3.3% | 5 |
| Stanislaus | $36,655 | 25 | 12.2% | 46 |
| Sutter | $34,614 | 32 | 15.7% | 56 |
| Tehama | $27,897 | 51 | 8.7% | 32 |
| Trinity | $26,687 | 55 | 13.0% | 49 |
| Tulare | $27,495 | 53 | 15.6% | 55 |
| Tuolumne | $33,355 | 35 | 7.9% | 28 |
| Ventura | $49,780 | 6 | 5.6% | 19 |
| Yolo | $37,763 | 24 | 5.4% | 16 |
| Yuba | $26,462 | 57 | 13.4% | 50 |

Yearly Income Source: "The 1999 California Child Care Portfolio," California Child Care Resource and Referral Network, San Francisco, CA (Publication forthcoming)
Unemployment Source: California Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information Division

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# Low Income Children

Subsidized School Meals, 1997-1999

| | 1997-1999 Avg. school eligible | 1997-1999 % children eligible | 1997-99 Rank | 1996-1997 % children eligible | 1997-1998 % children eligible | 1998-1999 % Children eligible |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 2,698,713 | 48.0% | | 47.6% | 48.0% | 48.3% |
| Alameda | 76,110 | 36.5% | 21 | 37.9% | 36.7% | 35.1% |
| Alpine | 119 | 80.4% | 58 | 80.5% | 78.9% | 81.8% |
| Amador | 1,352 | 28.2% | 10 | 28.8% | 28.1% | 27.8% |
| Butte | 14,636 | 44.2% | 29 | 44.6% | 44.7% | 43.3% |
| Calaveras | 2,194 | 33.0% | 17 | 34.9% | 33.7% | 30.4% |
| Colusa | 2,552 | 61.3% | 53 | 57.3% | 62.1% | 64.3% |
| Contra Costa | 41,996 | 28.2% | 9 | 27.6% | 28.7% | 28.3% |
| Del Norte | 2,432 | 47.3% | 36 | 46.3% | 47.8% | 47.8% |
| El Dorado | 6,626 | 23.7% | 5 | 23.9% | 24.3% | 23.0% |
| Fresno | 105,414 | 60.7% | 52 | 60.9% | 60.1% | 61.2% |
| Glenn | 3,365 | 57.2% | 48 | 55.5% | 58.5% | 57.6% |
| Humboldt | 7,564 | 38.6% | 26 | 39.2% | 38.9% | 37.2% |
| Imperial | 21,479 | 67.6% | 56 | 66.8% | 68.9% | 67.1% |
| Inyo | 1,011 | 29.7% | 11 | 30.1% | 29.4% | 29.5% |
| Kern | 73,040 | 52.3% | 43 | 44.9% | 55.1% | 56.7% |
| Kings | 13,025 | 54.1% | 44 | 53.7% | 53.9% | 54.7% |
| Lake | 5,547 | 55.6% | 47 | 53.8% | 57.1% | 55.8% |
| Lassen | 1,981 | 36.6% | 22 | 36.1% | 37.1% | 36.5% |
| Los Angeles | 942,368 | 60.3% | 51 | 59.7% | 59.7% | 61.4% |
| Madera | 13,873 | 59.7% | 50 | 56.6% | 60.2% | 62.2% |
| Marin | 3,644 | 13.4% | 1 | 13.3% | 13.6% | 13.4% |
| Mariposa | 898 | 32.3% | 15 | 28.6% | 32.3% | 35.9% |
| Mendocino | 7,354 | 47.4% | 37 | 47.5% | 45.5% | 49.1% |
| Merced | 33,895 | 70.6% | 57 | 66.9% | 74.2% | 70.7% |
| Modoc | 1,129 | 52.1% | 42 | 52.3% | 53.5% | 50.4% |
| Mono | 591 | 31.0% | 13 | 28.8% | 33.6% | 30.7% |
| Monterey | 36,235 | 54.7% | 45 | 54.8% | 55.2% | 54.3% |
| Napa | 6,232 | 33.3% | 18 | 32.6% | 33.6% | 33.7% |
| Nevada | 2,902 | 21.7% | 4 | 22.6% | 21.6% | 20.9% |
| Orange | 170,934 | 38.0% | 25 | 38.2% | 37.7% | 38.1% |
| Placer | 8,973 | 18.5% | 3 | 18.3% | 19.1% | 18.2% |
| Plumas | 1,347 | 37.4% | 24 | 38.0% | 38.5% | 35.7% |
| Riverside | 141,611 | 50.2% | 39 | 49.9% | 50.5% | 50.2% |
| Sacramento | 91,202 | 45.5% | 31 | 45.1% | 44.9% | 46.4% |
| San Benito | 3,316 | 32.3% | 16 | 35.1% | 31.7% | 30.4% |
| San Bernardino | 175,639 | 50.3% | 40 | 49.8% | 50.0% | 51.2% |
| San Diego | 209,503 | 46.1% | 32 | 47.2% | 46.2% | 45.1% |
| San Francisco | 34,904 | 57.4% | 49 | 52.2% | 62.4% | 57.5% |
| San Joaquin | 53,761 | 49.8% | 38 | 51.0% | 50.1% | 48.2% |
| San Luis Obispo | 11,469 | 32.0% | 14 | 31.6% | 32.3% | 32.0% |
| San Mateo | 24,744 | 27.1% | 7 | 28.0% | 28.5% | 24.8% |
| Santa Barbara | 25,385 | 40.8% | 27 | 41.0% | 40.6% | 40.7% |
| Santa Clara | 76,212 | 30.7% | 12 | 30.8% | 30.6% | 30.8% |
| Santa Cruz | 14,469 | 37.0% | 23 | 37.7% | 37.2% | 36.2% |
| Shasta | 13,309 | 44.3% | 30 | 44.2% | 44.4% | 44.2% |
| Sierra | 271 | 15.1% | 2 | 39.2% | 18.7% | 6.4% |
| Siskiyou | 3,790 | 47.2% | 35 | 44.7% | 46.8% | 50.5% |
| Solano | 19,162 | 27.6% | 8 | 20.1% | 30.9% | 31.6% |
| Sonoma | 18,588 | 26.8% | 6 | 27.1% | 26.0% | 27.3% |
| Stanislaus | 40,122 | 46.5% | 33 | 45.8% | 46.2% | 47.5% |
| Sutter | 7,129 | 46.7% | 34 | 46.9% | 46.8% | 46.3% |
| Tehama | 5,548 | 50.5% | 41 | 51.9% | 50.6% | 49.1% |
| Trinity | 1,291 | 55.4% | 46 | 54.9% | 54.3% | 57.2% |
| Tulare | 47,339 | 62.0% | 54 | 61.2% | 62.0% | 63.0% |
| Tuolumne | 2,858 | 35.1% | 19 | 34.7% | 35.0% | 35.6% |
| Ventura | 46,657 | 36.0% | 20 | 35.8% | 36.4% | 35.9% |
| Yolo | 11,103 | 42.8% | 28 | 42.0% | 45.2% | 41.2% |
| Yuba | 8,511 | 66.4% | 55 | 66.7% | 67.1% | 65.4% |

Source: California Department of Education. Prepared by California Food Policy Advocates. Note: A child is eligible for subsidized school meals if his or her parent's income is below 185% of the Federal Poverty Level

# Late or No Prenatal Care 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of Mothers receiving late or no prenatal care | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 21,557 | 4.0% | | 4.6% | 3.8% | 3.7% |
| Alameda | 431 | 2.1% | 2 | 2.3% | 1.8% | 2.1% |
| Alpine | 1 | 7.1% | NR | 18.2% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Amador | 6 | 2.1% | NR | 2.4% | 2.4% | 1.5% |
| Butte | 128 | 5.3% | 29 | 5.4% | 4.8% | 5.8% |
| Calaveras | 11 | 3.3% | NR | 4.5% | 1.9% | 3.4% |
| Colusa | 22 | 7.0% | 42 | 7.9% | 8.3% | 4.9% |
| Contra Costa | 412 | 3.3% | 17 | 3.9% | 3.3% | 2.8% |
| Del Norte | 14 | 4.4% | 24 | 6.8% | 3.3% | 3.4% |
| El Dorado | 50 | 2.9% | 9 | 3.0% | 2.7% | 3.2% |
| Fresno | 494 | 3.4% | 18 | 3.2% | 3.3% | 3.7% |
| Glenn | 23 | 5.3% | 28 | 7.2% | 5.2% | 3.3% |
| Humboldt | 88 | 5.8% | 36 | 7.2% | 5.2% | 4.8% |
| Imperial | 202 | 8.1% | 45 | 7.9% | 8.4% | 7.9% |
| Inyo | 18 | 8.3% | 46 | 9.5% | 9.0% | 5.8% |
| Kern | 638 | 5.5% | 32 | 7.0% | 5.1% | 4.3% |
| Kings | 88 | 4.1% | 21 | 5.4% | 3.9% | 2.8% |
| Lake | 54 | 9.0% | 48 | 11.0% | 8.4% | 7.1% |
| Lassen | 15 | 4.9% | 25 | 7.7% | 3.7% | 3.4% |
| Los Angeles | 5,336 | 3.2% | 14 | 3.6% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| Madera | 99 | 4.9% | 26 | 6.5% | 4.1% | 4.3% |
| Marin | 67 | 2.6% | 6 | 2.8% | 2.8% | 2.1% |
| Mariposa | 6 | 4.3% | NR | 5.3% | 3.2% | 4.4% |
| Mendocino | 105 | 9.9% | 49 | 14.6% | 7.[illegible]% | 7.4% |
| Merced | 242 | 6.4% | 40 | 6.1% | 5.9% | 7.1% |
| Modoc | 6 | 5.4% | NR | 7.4% | 4.4% | 4.1% |
| Mono | 7 | 5.6% | NR | 7.4% | 2.5% | 6.8% |
| Monterey | 369 | 5.5% | 31 | 7.0% | 5.3% | 4.2% |
| Napa | 55 | 3.7% | 20 | 4.3% | 4.2% | 2.6% |
| Nevada | 24 | 3.0% | 10 | 2.8% | 3.5% | 2.6% |
| Orange | 1,540 | 3.2% | 15 | 3.4% | 3.2% | 3.0% |
| Placer | 76 | 2.8% | 7 | 3.1% | 3.0% | 2.1% |
| Plumas | 7 | 4.2% | NR | 5.4% | 5.4% | 1.9% |
| Riverside | 1,414 | 6.0% | 39 | 6.7% | 5.7% | 5.5% |
| Sacramento | 1,022 | 5.7% | 35 | 6.9% | 5.2% | 4.9% |
| San Benito | 18 | 2.2% | 5 | 2.3% | 2.6% | 1.8% |
| San Bernardino | 1,641 | 5.6% | 34 | 6.7% | 5.2% | 4.9% |
| San Diego | 2,633 | 5.9% | 38 | 6.6% | 5.5% | 5.6% |
| San Francisco | 256 | 3.1% | 11 | 3.6% | 2.5% | 3.0% |
| San Joaquin | 492 | 5.6% | 33 | 5.7% | 5.4% | 5.6% |
| San Luis Obispo | 106 | 4.2% | 23 | 5.0% | 4.1% | 3.3% |
| San Mateo | 309 | 3.1% | 12 | 3.2% | 2.8% | 3.2% |
| Santa Barbara | 240 | 4.1% | 22 | 4.6% | 4.1% | 3.6% |
| Santa Clara | 817 | 3.1% | 13 | 3.7% | 3.0% | 2.6% |
| Santa Cruz | 114 | 3.3% | 16 | 3.9% | 3.6% | 2.3% |
| Shasta | 59 | 2.9% | 8 | 3.8% | 2.4% | 2.5% |
| Sierra | 1 | 3.9% | NR | 4.3% | 0.0% | 8.3% |
| Siskiyou | 28 | 5.8% | 37 | 7.5% | 5.8% | 3.8% |
| Solano | 407 | 7.2% | 44 | 8.6% | 7.0% | 5.9% |
| Sonoma | 116 | 2.1% | 4 | 2.5% | 1.9% | 2.0% |
| Stanislaus | 250 | 3.5% | 19 | 4.1% | 3.1% | 3.4% |
| Sutter | 79 | 6.7% | 41 | 7.3% | 6.0% | 6.9% |
| Tehama | 34 | 5.1% | 27 | 5.4% | 5.1% | 4.8% |
| Trinity | 3 | 2.4% | NR | 3.3% | 1.4% | 3.0% |
| Tulare | 387 | 5.5% | 30 | 5.6% | 5.5% | 5.2% |
| Tuolumne | 10 | 2.1% | 3 | 2.6% | 2.2% | 1.5% |
| Ventura | 237 | 2.0% | 1 | 2.5% | 1.7% | 1.8% |
| Yolo | 154 | 7.1% | 43 | 9.0% | 6.3% | 6.1% |
| Yuba | 198 | 8.5% | 47 | 8.6% | 8.1% | 8.9% |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of infants born to women who received no prenatal care during pregnancy, or only received care during the last trimester. NR =Not ranked, numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Low Birthweight Infants 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of low birthweight infants | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 32,823 | 6.1% | | 6.1% | 6.1% | 6.1% |
| Alameda | 1,443 | 6.9% | 49 | 6.9% | 7.0% | 6.9% |
| Alpine | 0 | 0.0% | NR | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Amador | 13 | 5.0% | 9 | 5.3% | 3.8% | 5.9% |
| Butte | 119 | 4.9% | 8 | 5.2% | 4.9% | 4.6% |
| Calaveras | 20 | 5.8% | 28 | 7.3% | 5.3% | 4.6% |
| Colusa | 17 | 5.5% | NR | 8.5% | 3.3% | 4.6% |
| Contra Costa | 765 | 6.2% | 35 | 6.0% | 6.3% | 6.3% |
| Del Norte | 18 | 5.5% | 23 | 4.5% | 4.5% | 7.4% |
| El Dorado | 104 | 6.2% | 36 | 5.6% | 6.4% | 6.6% |
| Fresno | 964 | 6.6% | 45 | 6.7% | 6.5% | 6.6% |
| Glenn | 18 | 4.1% | 1 | 4.1% | 3.6% | 4.7% |
| Humboldt | 70 | 4.6% | 4 | 4.9% | 5.0% | 4.0% |
| Imperial | 119 | 4.7% | 6 | 5.0% | 4.4% | 4.8% |
| Inyo | 15 | 6.7% | 47 | 6.6% | 7.7% | 5.8% |
| Kern | 739 | 6.4% | 41 | 6.6% | 6.6% | 6.0% |
| Kings | 128 | 5.9% | 31 | 5.6% | 6.3% | 5.9% |
| Lake | 35 | 5.7% | 26 | 6.5% | 4.8% | 5.7% |
| Lassen | 14 | 4.7% | NR | 6.7% | 2.4% | 4.9% |
| Los Angeles | 10,839 | 6.4% | 42 | 6.4% | 6.4% | 6.5% |
| Madera | 106 | 5.3% | 16 | 5.8% | 5.4% | 4.7% |
| Marin | 141 | 5.4% | 18 | 5.1% | 5.6% | 5.4% |
| Mariposa | 9 | 6.1% | NR | 7.9% | 3.2% | 7.4% |
| Mendocino | 54 | 5.1% | 12 | 4.5% | 5.6% | 5.4% |
| Merced | 232 | 6.1% | 33 | 6.1% | 6.3% | 6.0% |
| Modoc | 6 | 5.7% | NR | 5.7% | 6.1% | 5.1% |
| Mono | 9 | 7.0% | NR | 8.1% | 4.2% | 8.5% |
| Monterey | 350 | 5.2% | 13 | 5.3% | 4.8% | 5.5% |
| Napa | 63 | 4.2% | 2 | 4.2% | 3.9% | 4.5% |
| Nevada | 43 | 5.4% | 19 | 4.9% | 6.0% | 5.2% |
| Orange | 2,541 | 5.3% | 15 | 5.4% | 5.2% | 5.3% |
| Placer | 134 | 4.9% | 7 | 5.0% | 4.6% | 5.0% |
| Plumas | 8 | 4.9% | NR | 6.0% | 6.8% | 1.9% |
| Riverside | 1,454 | 6.1% | 34 | 5.8% | 6.1% | 6.6% |
| Sacramento | 1,172 | 6.5% | 44 | 6.6% | 6.1% | 6.9% |
| San Benito | 38 | 4.6% | 3 | 4.9% | 4.9% | 4.1% |
| San Bernardino | 1,951 | 6.7% | 46 | 6.7% | 6.6% | 6.7% |
| San Diego | 2,562 | 5.7% | 27 | 5.6% | 5.8% | 5.8% |
| San Francisco | 570 | 6.8% | 48 | 7.1% | 6.7% | 6.6% |
| San Joaquin | 572 | 6.5% | 43 | 6.3% | 6.6% | 6.5% |
| San Luis Obispo | 130 | 5.1% | 10 | 4.6% | 5.5% | 5.4% |
| San Mateo | 585 | 5.8% | 29 | 5.9% | 5.7% | 5.9% |
| Santa Barbara | 344 | 5.9% | 30 | 5.7% | 6.1% | 5.8% |
| Santa Clara | 1,574 | 6.0% | 32 | 6.1% | 6.0% | 5.9% |
| Santa Cruz | 165 | 4.7% | 5 | 4.7% | 4.4% | 5.1% |
| Shasta | 104 | 5.1% | 11 | 5.6% | 5.0% | 4.8% |
| Sierra | 0 | 0.0% | NR | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Siskiyou | 30 | 6.3% | 38 | 7.5% | 5.6% | 5.6% |
| Solano | 359 | 6.3% | 40 | 6.3% | 6.3% | 6.4% |
| Sonoma | 289 | 5.3% | 17 | 5.5% | 5.4% | 4.9% |
| Stanislaus | 439 | 6.2% | 37 | 5.9% | 6.1% | 6.6% |
| Sutter | 67 | 5.7% | 25 | 4.5% | 6.6% | 6.0% |
| Tehama | 37 | 5.5% | 21 | 6.7% | 5.1% | 4.5% |
| Trinity | 7 | 6.0% | NR | 8.1% | 4.8% | 5.0% |
| Tulare | 389 | 5.5% | 22 | 5.6% | 5.7% | 5.2% |
| Tuolumne | 25 | 5.3% | 14 | 4.7% | 5.4% | 5.8% |
| Ventura | 637 | 5.5% | 20 | 5.3% | 5.2% | 5.8% |
| Yolo | 119 | 5.5% | 24 | 5.1% | 5.5% | 5.9% |
| Yuba | 70 | 6.3% | 39 | 6.0% | 5.9% | 7.0% |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Percentage refers to percentage of live births with birthweights less than 2,500 grams (5.5 lbs). NR = Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

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# Infant Mortality 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of infant deaths | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 3,252 | 6.0 | | 6.3 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Alameda | 121 | 5.8 | 16 | 5.4 | 6.0 | 6.0 |
| Alpine | 0 | 0.0 | NR | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Amador | 0 | 1.2 | NR | 0.0 | 3.5 | 0.0 |
| Butte | 19 | 8.0 | 35 | 10.3 | 6.9 | 6.7 |
| Calaveras | 2 | 5.8 | NR | 13.1 | 3.1 | 0.0 |
| Colusa | 2 | 6.5 | NR | 6.3 | 6.6 | 6.5 |
| Contra Costa | 69 | 5.6 | 14 | 6.0 | 5.5 | 5.1 |
| Del Norte | 4 | 11.4 | NR | 16.1 | 3.0 | 15.4 |
| El Dorado | 6 | 3.8 | NR | 3.5 | 6.0 | 1.8 |
| Fresno | 119 | 8.2 | 36 | 8.3 | 7.9 | 8.4 |
| Glenn | 2 | 3.8 | NR | 2.3 | 2.3 | 7.0 |
| Humboldt | 9 | 5.9 | 18 | 8.9 | 4.7 | 4.1 |
| Imperial | 10 | 4.0 | 2 | 4.9 | 4.4 | 2.5 |
| Inyo | 2 | 7.7 | NR | 4.1 | 9.0 | 10.5 |
| Kern | 106 | 9.2 | 37 | 10.9 | 9.8 | 6.7 |
| Kings | 17 | 7.9 | 34 | 6.1 | 11.5 | 5.8 |
| Lake | 4 | 6.6 | NR | 3.0 | 6.9 | 10.6 |
| Lassen | 2 | 5.4 | NR | 10.1 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| Los Angeles | 1,042 | 6.2 | 21 | 6.7 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Madera | 12 | 5.8 | 17 | 7.0 | 6.5 | 4.0 |
| Marin | 9 | 3.5 | 1 | 2.7 | 3.4 | 4.5 |
| Mariposa | 0 | 2.3 | NR | 6.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Mendocino | 8 | 7.6 | 32 | 8.0 | 9.8 | 4.9 |
| Merced | 28 | 7.5 | 31 | 8.2 | 7.2 | 6.9 |
| Modoc | 1 | 12.0 | NR | 8.2 | 17.5 | 10.2 |
| Mono | 0 | 0.0 | NR | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Monterey | 38 | 5.6 | 15 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 5.8 |
| Napa | 7 | 4.5 | 4 | 5.5 | 4.6 | 3.3 |
| Nevada | 5 | 6.2 | NR | 3.6 | 11.3 | 3.8 |
| Orange | 231 | 4.8 | 8 | 5.6 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Placer | 13 | 4.9 | 9 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 1.9 |
| Plumas | 1 | 6.4 | NR | 6.0 | 13.5 | 0.0 |
| Riverside | 154 | 6.5 | 23 | 7.1 | 6.4 | 6.0 |
| Sacramento | 125 | 7.0 | 26 | 7.0 | 6.9 | 7.0 |
| San Benito | 4 | 5.2 | NR | 3.8 | 5.0 | 6.8 |
| San Bernardino | 225 | 7.7 | 33 | 7.7 | 7.1 | 8.3 |
| San Diego | 235 | 5.3 | 12 | 4.9 | 5.4 | 5.5 |
| San Francisco | 38 | 4.5 | 5 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 4.5 |
| San Joaquin | 63 | 7.1 | 29 | 6.4 | 7.6 | 7.2 |
| San Luis Obispo | 12 | 4.7 | 6 | 3.8 | 4.4 | 6.0 |
| San Mateo | 47 | 4.7 | 7 | 5.1 | 4.0 | 5.1 |
| Santa Barbara | 29 | 4.9 | 11 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 4.5 |
| Santa Clara | 140 | 5.3 | 13 | 5.2 | 5.1 | 5.6 |
| Santa Cruz | 17 | 4.9 | 10 | 3.7 | 6.1 | 4.8 |
| Shasta | 14 | 7.1 | 28 | 6.9 | 5.9 | 8.5 |
| Sierra | 0 | 0.0 | NR | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Siskiyou | 4 | 7.6 | NR | 10.2 | 5.6 | 7.1 |
| Solano | 35 | 6.2 | 22 | 5.1 | 7.1 | 6.4 |
| Sonoma | 23 | 4.2 | 3 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 4.1 |
| Stanislaus | 47 | 6.6 | 24 | 5.9 | 6.8 | 7.1 |
| Sutter | 8 | 6.8 | 25 | 6.0 | 7.9 | 6.6 |
| Tehama | 4 | 5.4 | NR | 6.9 | 3.0 | 6.4 |
| Trinity | 1 | 5.4 | NR | 8.1 | 6.9 | 0.0 |
| Tulare | 42 | 6.0 | 20 | 5.7 | 6.1 | 6.1 |
| Tuolumne | 4 | 7.7 | NR | 2.0 | 13.0 | 8.6 |
| Ventura | 69 | 5.9 | 19 | 5.4 | 5.0 | 7.5 |
| Yolo | 15 | 7.0 | 27 | 5.0 | 9.7 | 6.2 |
| Yuba | 8 | 7.2 | 30 | 8.4 | 4.6 | 8.6 |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Rate refers to the number of infants who died in their first year of life per 1,000 live births. NR =Not ranked; numbers too small to be statistically significant.

# Teen Births 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of births to teens | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 63,204 | 61.8 | | 67.2 | 61.6 | 56.7 |
| Alameda | 1,866 | 47.4 | 20 | 52.8 | 46.7 | 43.1 |
| Alpine | 2 | 51.7 | NR | 108.1 | 26.3 | 24.4 |
| Amador | 36 | 36.6 | 8 | 38.5 | 37.0 | 34.7 |
| Butte | 376 | 59.2 | 34 | 64.2 | 62.4 | 51.7 |
| Calaveras | 46 | 35.5 | 6 | 41.7 | 37.1 | 28.2 |
| Colusa | 44 | 59.0 | 32 | 70.9 | 54.4 | 52.3 |
| Contra Costa | 1,073 | 38.6 | 12 | 40.1 | 39.2 | 36.7 |
| Del Norte | 60 | 62.5 | 37 | 69.2 | 57.2 | 61.3 |
| El Dorado | 160 | 31.2 | 4 | 35.8 | 29.1 | 29.0 |
| Fresno | 2,562 | 87.9 | 49 | 94.7 | 85.7 | 83.9 |
| Glenn | 64 | 58.6 | 30 | 62.3 | 56.6 | 57.1 |
| Humboldt | 200 | 46.2 | 17 | 53.2 | 45.2 | 40.9 |
| Imperial | 390 | 62.5 | 38 | 63.5 | 63.4 | 60.5 |
| Inyo | 34 | 53.2 | 24 | 49.5 | 57.9 | 52.4 |
| Kern | 2,009 | 88.1 | 50 | 97.6 | 85.8 | 81.5 |
| Kings | 379 | 91.5 | 51 | 96.5 | 91.1 | 87.1 |
| Lake | 108 | 59.5 | 35 | 61.5 | 64.2 | 53.1 |
| Lassen | 50 | 51.1 | 23 | 68.5 | 49.1 | 37.8 |
| Los Angeles | 20,033 | 70.5 | 42 | 77.3 | 70.3 | 64.1 |
| Madera | 384 | 87.2 | 48 | 92.3 | 83.7 | 85.8 |
| Marin | 108 | 19.0 | 1 | 16.9 | 21.1 | 19.0 |
| Mariposa | 17 | 34.8 | NR | 43.8 | 22.4 | 38.5 |
| Mendocino | 169 | 55.0 | 26 | 67.5 | 53.9 | 44.2 |
| Merced | 687 | 85.9 | 47 | 99.5 | 84.4 | 74.8 |
| Modoc | 21 | 52.3 | NR | 36.9 | 63.1 | 56.1 |
| Mono | 11 | 36.8 | NR | 33.6 | 30.9 | 45.2 |
| Monterey | 920 | 80.9 | 45 | 85.5 | 80.1 | 77.3 |
| Napa | 149 | 40.9 | 14 | 46.7 | 43.2 | 33.4 |
| Nevada | 87 | 28.4 | 2 | 29.3 | 27.7 | 28.1 |
| Orange | 4,153 | 55.0 | 27 | 58.2 | 56.4 | 50.8 |
| Placer | 235 | 31.5 | 5 | 37.4 | 30.5 | 27.2 |
| Plumas | 23 | 30.3 | NR | 41.2 | 30.9 | 19.1 |
| Riverside | 3,305 | 69.9 | 41 | 75.8 | 69.2 | 65.1 |
| Sacramento | 2,197 | 59.1 | 33 | 66.4 | 57.1 | 54.4 |
| San Benito | 115 | 67.3 | 40 | 68.7 | 72.3 | 61.2 |
| San Bernardino | 4,310 | 74.0 | 44 | 79.8 | 73.9 | 68.7 |
| San Diego | 4,653 | 57.0 | 29 | 62.8 | 59.4 | 49.3 |
| San Francisco | 603 | 37.1 | 9 | 40.6 | 35.7 | 35.2 |
| San Joaquin | 1,383 | 71.6 | 43 | 78.8 | 68.5 | 68.0 |
| San Luis Obispo | 255 | 29.7 | 3 | 33.3 | 28.9 | 27.1 |
| San Mateo | 699 | 37.4 | 10 | 40.0 | 37.6 | 35.0 |
| Santa Barbara | 715 | 55.1 | 28 | 56.4 | 56.2 | 53.0 |
| Santa Clara | 2,161 | 46.7 | 19 | 49.6 | 46.0 | 44.6 |
| Santa Cruz | 373 | 46.5 | 18 | 52.7 | 45.8 | 41.5 |
| Shasta | 317 | 54.3 | 25 | 52.7 | 55.0 | 55.0 |
| Sierra | 2 | 14.9 | NR | 23.1 | 7.3 | 14.8 |
| Siskiyou | 77 | 45.8 | 16 | 47.6 | 43.2 | 46.5 |
| Solano | 679 | 51.0 | 22 | 53.7 | 52.4 | 47.3 |
| Sonoma | 521 | 39.0 | 13 | 41.9 | 37.5 | 37.7 |
| Stanislaus | 1,064 | 66.3 | 39 | 69.8 | 67.2 | 62.1 |
| Sutter | 154 | 58.7 | 31 | 69.5 | 53.4 | 53.6 |
| Tehama | 118 | 59.5 | 36 | 67.6 | 57.7 | 53.5 |
| Trinity | 18 | 37.8 | 11 | 34.1 | 37.3 | 42.0 |
| Tulare | 1,350 | 91.8 | 52 | 96.4 | 93.9 | 85.4 |
| Tuolumne | 70 | 41.5 | 15 | 48.2 | 38.0 | 38.6 |
| Ventura | 1,170 | 48.4 | 21 | 52.6 | 48.0 | 44.7 |
| Yolo | 247 | 36.4 | 7 | 41.6 | 34.7 | 33.1 |
| Yuba | 192 | 84.8 | 46 | 99.5 | 86.5 | 69.2 |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Center for Health Statistics. Note: Rate refers to the number of births to teens ages 15-19 per 1,000 females of that age group.

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# Breastfeeding

Percent of mothers who initiate exclusive breastfeeding ,1997

| | 1997 % of mothers exclusively breastfeeding | Rank 1997 | 1997 Total breastfeeding rate | Rank 1997 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 43% | | 78% | |
| Alameda | 66% | 19 | 81% | 36 |
| Alpine | 33% | 50 | 78% | 40 |
| Amador | 76% | 9 | 90% | 7 |
| Butte | 59% | 32 | 82% | 33 |
| Calaveras | 59% | 32 | 84% | 28 |
| Colusa | 38% | 43 | 78% | 40 |
| Contra Costa | 63% | 21 | 85% | 23 |
| Del Norte | 69% | 16 | 84% | 28 |
| El Dorado | 61% | 28 | 87% | 15 |
| Fresno | 37% | 44 | 73% | 50 |
| Glenn | 49% | 38 | 82% | 33 |
| Humboldt | 77% | 6 | 87% | 15 |
| Imperial | 18% | 58 | 73% | 50 |
| Inyo | 63% | 21 | 90% | 7 |
| Kern | 28% | 53 | 72% | 53 |
| Kings | 21% | 57 | 69% | 56 |
| Lake | 63% | 21 | 81% | 36 |
| Lassen | 68% | 17 | 91% | 5 |
| Los Angeles | 28% | 53 | 75% | 46 |
| Madera | 34% | 48 | 75% | 46 |
| Marin | 88% | 1 | 93% | 1 |
| Mariposa | 51% | 37 | 87% | 15 |
| Mendocino | 64% | 20 | 85% | 23 |
| Merced | 24% | 56 | 70% | 55 |
| Modoc | 77% | 6 | 90% | 7 |
| Mono | 35% | 46 | 73% | 50 |
| Monterey | 62% | 25 | 89% | 10 |
| Napa | 73% | 11 | 88% | 14 |
| Nevada | 85% | 2 | 92% | 2 |
| Orange | 33% | 50 | 79% | 39 |
| Placer | 71% | 14 | 87% | 15 |
| Plumas | 77% | 6 | 85% | 23 |
| Riverside | 37% | 44 | 71% | 54 |
| Sacramento | 59% | 32 | 76% | 44 |
| San Benito | 35% | 46 | 83% | 32 |
| San Bernardino | 34% | 48 | 69% | 56 |
| San Diego | 61% | 28 | 84% | 28 |
| San Francisco | 62% | 25 | 82% | 33 |
| San Joaquin | 40% | 41 | 76% | 44 |
| San Luis Obispo | 82% | 4 | 91% | 5 |
| San Mateo | 76% | 9 | 89% | 10 |
| Santa Barbara | 60% | 30 | 87% | 15 |
| Santa Clara | 54% | 35 | 86% | 20 |
| Santa Cruz | 62% | 25 | 92% | 2 |
| Shasta | 79% | 5 | 86% | 20 |
| Sierra | 67% | 18 | 92% | 2 |
| Siskiyou | 73% | 11 | 86% | 20 |
| Solano | 60% | 30 | 77% | 42 |
| Sonoma | 73% | 11 | 89% | 10 |
| Stanislaus | 45% | 39 | 74% | 49 |
| Sutter | 39% | 42 | 77% | 42 |
| Tehama | 54% | 35 | 81% | 36 |
| Trinity | 83% | 3 | 89% | 10 |
| Tulare | 27% | 55 | 75% | 46 |
| Tuolumne | 63% | 21 | 85% | 23 |
| Ventura | 43% | 40 | 85% | 23 |
| Yolo | 70% | 15 | 84% | 28 |
| Yuba | 33% | 50 | 65% | 58 |

Source: Maternal and Child Health Branch, using data from Genetic Disease Branch, New Born Screening Test. Note: 1) The total breastfeeding rate includes mothers breastfeeding exclusively and mothers supplementing breastfeeding with formula. 2) Data is self-reporting. Before discharge, mothers were asked if they intended to breastfeed only (exclusively), to use formula only, or to supplement breastfeeding with formula.

# Head Start

Percent of eligible 3-4 year olds enrolled in Head Start, 1997

| | 1997 % served | 1997 Rank |
|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | NA | |
| Alameda | 42.9% | 39 |
| Alpine | NA | NA |
| Amador | 62.5% | 12 |
| Butte | 40.1% | 47 |
| Calaveras | 100.0% | 1 |
| Colusa | 100.0% | 1 |
| Contra Costa | 52.1% | 21 |
| Del Norte | 39.7% | 49 |
| El Dorado | 78.4% | 7 |
| Fresno | 32.1% | 56 |
| Glenn | 67.9% | 10 |
| Humboldt | 45.1% | 33 |
| Imperial | 38.2% | 51 |
| Inyo | 54.1% | 19 |
| Kern | 35.6% | 54 |
| Kings | 40.5% | 46 |
| Lake | 43.8% | 37 |
| Lassen | 55.6% | 17 |
| Los Angeles | 40.7% | 45 |
| Madera | 36.6% | 53 |
| Marin | 56.8% | 15 |
| Mariposa | 100.0% | 1 |
| Mendocino | 40.9% | 44 |
| Merced | 41.9% | 41 |
| Modoc | 71.4% | 9 |
| Mono | 93.2% | 5 |
| Monterey | 50.6% | 23 |
| Napa | 66.9% | 11 |
| Nevada | 46.8% | 30 |
| Orange | 47.7% | 28 |
| Placer | 47.9% | 26 |
| Plumas | 44.4% | 36 |
| Riverside | 39.9% | 48 |
| Sacramento | 56.9% | 14 |
| San Benito | 89.3% | 6 |
| San Bernardino | 41.9% | 42 |
| San Diego | 52.0% | 22 |
| San Francisco | 48.3% | 25 |
| San Joaquin | 55.3% | 18 |
| San Luis Obispo | 47.8% | 27 |
| San Mateo | 46.5% | 31 |
| Santa Barbara | 42.3% | 40 |
| Santa Clara | 44.9% | 34 |
| Santa Cruz | 53.1% | 20 |
| Shasta | 38.0% | 52 |
| Sierra | 100.0% | 1 |
| Siskiyou | 34.2% | 55 |
| Solano | 47.2% | 29 |
| Sonoma | 49.2% | 24 |
| Stanislaus | 43.8% | 37 |
| Sutter | 39.2% | 50 |
| Tehama | 56.5% | 16 |
| Trinity | 57.1% | 13 |
| Tulare | 44.5% | 35 |
| Tuolumne | 76.2% | 8 |
| Ventura | 45.2% | 32 |
| Yolo | 41.5% | 43 |
| Yuba | 27.6% | 57 |

Source: Fiscal Year 1997 Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Head Start Bureau. Note: 1) Percent refers to percent of children served (enrolled) out of all eligible. Children ages 3 and 4 and in families that meet the federal poverty guidelines are eligible for Head Start services. In 1997, the federal poverty guidelines for a family of four was an annual income of 16,050 or less. 2) NA = Not available.

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# Average Class Size

October 1996 - October 1998

| | 1996-1998 Avg. class size | Rank | 1996 Avg. class size | 1997 Avg. class size | 1998 Avg. class size |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 27.9 | | 29.1 | 27.4 | 27.2 |
| Alameda | 27.5 | 46 | 28.6 | 26.9 | 27.0 |
| Alpine | 15.3 | 1 | 15.7 | 13.9 | 16.4 |
| Amador | 25.0 | 17 | 26.0 | 25.0 | 23.9 |
| Butte | 26.7 | 32 | 27.5 | 26.5 | 26.2 |
| Calaveras | 25.0 | 18 | 25.3 | 23.7 | 26.0 |
| Colusa | 21.0 | 6 | 21.6 | 20.7 | 20.8 |
| Contra Costa | 28.3 | 53 | 29.6 | 27.9 | 27.5 |
| Del Norte | 26.8 | 34 | 27.8 | 26.2 | 26.4 |
| El Dorado | 27.6 | 49 | 29.1 | 27.0 | 26.6 |
| Fresno | 26.7 | 31 | 27.9 | 26.1 | 26.2 |
| Glenn | 23.1 | 9 | 24.2 | 22.7 | 22.4 |
| Humboldt | 24.4 | 15 | 25.0 | 24.3 | 23.9 |
| Imperial | 26.3 | 26 | 27.3 | 26.1 | 25.6 |
| Inyo | 21.0 | 5 | 22.8 | 20.7 | 19.4 |
| Kern | 26.6 | 28 | 28.0 | 26.1 | 25.8 |
| Kings | 26.2 | 23 | 27.2 | 25.9 | 25.4 |
| Lake | 24.2 | 14 | 24.6 | 23.8 | 24.1 |
| Lassen | 23.1 | 10 | 23.6 | 22.5 | 23.[illegible] |
| Los Angeles | 28.5 | 54 | 29.9 | 28.0 | 27.5 |
| Madera | 27.4 | 41 | 28.5 | 26.9 | 26.7 |
| Marin | 25.2 | 20 | 26.1 | 24.7 | 24.8 |
| Mariposa | 23.3 | 12 | 24.6 | 21.9 | 23.4 |
| Mendocino | 23.5 | 13 | 24.3 | 23.4 | 22.8 |
| Merced | 26.6 | 28 | 27.4 | 26.4 | 26.1 |
| Modoc | 19.2 | 3 | 19.7 | 19.4 | 18.4 |
| Mono | 20.1 | 4 | 20.7 | 20.4 | 19.2 |
| Monterey | 27.1 | 36 | 28.4 | 26.6 | 26.2 |
| Napa | 27.4 | 41 | 28.4 | 27.0 | 26.7 |
| Nevada | 26.7 | 32 | 27.3 | 26.1 | 26.8 |

| | 1996-1998 Avg. class size | Rank | 1996 Avg. class size | 1997 Avg. class size | 1998 Avg. class size |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Orange | 29.3 | 57 | 30.3 | 28.9 | 28.7 |
| Placer | 27.3 | 39 | 28.2 | 27.5 | 26.2 |
| Plumas | 23.2 | 11 | 25.0 | 23.6 | 20.9 |
| Riverside | 29.3 | 58 | 30.9 | 28.5 | 28.6 |
| Sacramento | 27.4 | 44 | 28.4 | 27.3 | 26.6 |
| San Benito | 27.4 | 43 | 28.2 | 27.5 | 26.5 |
| San Bernardino | 29.0 | 56 | 30.1 | 28.5 | 28.4 |
| San Diego | 28.2 | 52 | 29.4 | 27.6 | 27.5 |
| San Francisco | 25.3 | 21 | 25.1 | 24.7 | 26.0 |
| San Joaquin | 27.5 | 45 | 28.4 | 27.3 | 26.7 |
| San Luis Obispo | 26.2 | 24 | 27.1 | 25.9 | 25.6 |
| San Mateo | 27.2 | 37 | 28.2 | 26.9 | 26.6 |
| Santa Barbara | 26.3 | 25 | 27.2 | 26.1 | 25.6 |
| Santa Clara | 27.6 | 48 | 28.9 | 26.9 | 26.9 |
| Santa Cruz | 28.1 | 51 | 29.0 | 27.8 | 27.4 |
| Shasta | 26.5 | 27 | 27.6 | 26.2 | 25.8 |
| Sierra | 16.4 | 2 | 16.9 | 16.5 | 15.8 |
| Siskiyou | 21.5 | 7 | 23.1 | 20.8 | 20.7 |
| Solano | 27.5 | 46 | 28.9 | 26.8 | 26.8 |
| Sonoma | 26.7 | 30 | 27.5 | 26.3 | 26.2 |
| Stanislaus | 28.6 | 55 | 29.4 | 28.3 | 28.0 |
| Sutter | 26.1 | 22 | 27.0 | 25.9 | 25.4 |
| Tehama | 25.0 | 18 | 26.0 | 24.9 | 24.1 |
| Trinity | 22.1 | 8 | 22.7 | 22.4 | 21.3 |
| Tulare | 27.3 | 39 | 28.6 | 26.7 | 26.6 |
| Tuolumne | 24.8 | 16 | 25.7 | 24.5 | 24.1 |
| Ventura | 27.9 | 50 | 27.2 | 28.3 | 28.1 |
| Yolo | 27.0 | 35 | 28.0 | 26.8 | 26.3 |
| Yuba | 27.2 | 37 | 28.2 | 27.4 | 26.1 |

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit

# Per Pupil Expenditure 1996-1998

| | 1996-1998 Avg. per pupil expenditure | 1996-1998 Rank | 1995-1996 Per pupil expenditure | 1996-1997 Per pupil expenditure | 1997-1998 Per pupil expenditure |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | $4,598 | | $4,287 | $4,570 | $4,938 |
| Alameda | $4,828 | 15 | $4,519 | $4,767 | $5,199 |
| Alpine | $10,687 | 1 | $8,818 | $9,991 | $13,252 |
| Amador | $4,076 | 58 | $3,646 | $4,194 | $4,388 |
| Butte | $4,443 | 45 | $4,033 | $4,439 | $4,857 |
| Calaveras | $4,418 | 48 | $3,784 | $4,215 | $5,253 |
| Colusa | $4,652 | 25 | $4,245 | $4,782 | $4,930 |
| Contra Costa | $4,549 | 37 | $4,193 | $4,522 | $4,932 |
| Del Norte | $4,974 | 13 | $4,480 | $4,782 | $5,660 |
| El Dorado | $4,463 | 42 | $4,120 | $4,528 | $4,742 |
| Fresno | $4,604 | 28 | $4,263 | $4,612 | $4,936 |
| Glenn | $4,658 | 24 | $4,266 | $4,702 | $5,007 |
| Humboldt | $4,717 | 20 | $4,298 | $4,745 | $5,108 |
| Imperial | $4,515 | 41 | $4,213 | $4,498 | $4,835 |
| Inyo | $5,725 | 4 | $5,423 | $5,654 | $6,097 |
| Kern | $4,575 | 35 | $4,212 | $4,598 | $4,914 |
| Kings | $4,574 | 36 | $4,221 | $4,556 | $4,944 |
| Lake | $4,737 | 18 | $4,291 | $4,778 | $5,143 |
| Lassen | $4,896 | 14 | $4,551 | $4,835 | $5,303 |
| Los Angeles | $4,683 | 22 | $4,428 | $4,626 | $4,996 |
| Madera | $4,532 | 39 | $4,143 | $4,572 | $4,880 |
| Marin | $5,692 | 5 | $5,338 | $5,746 | $5,991 |
| Mariposa | $5,136 | 10 | $4,799 | $4,959 | $5,650 |
| Mendocino | $5,415 | 7 | $4,972 | $5,461 | $5,811 |
| Merced | $4,455 | 43 | $4,174 | $4,441 | $4,751 |
| Modoc | $5,601 | 6 | $5,405 | $5,471 | $5,926 |
| Mono | $5,855 | 3 | $5,269 | $6,053 | $6,243 |
| Monterey | $4,595 | 30 | $4,365 | $4,529 | $4,892 |
| Napa | $4,362 | 51 | $3,937 | $4,454 | $4,695 |
| Nevada | $4,600 | 29 | $4,187 | $4,594 | $5,018 |
| Orange | $4,373 | 50 | $4,060 | $4,358 | $4,700 |
| Placer | $4,245 | 57 | $3,962 | $4,256 | $4,517 |
| Plumas | $5,043 | 12 | $4,629 | $4,940 | $5,559 |
| Riverside | $4,351 | 52 | $4,059 | $4,328 | $4,665 |
| Sacramento | $4,581 | 34 | $4,256 | $4,516 | $4,970 |
| San Benito | $4,428 | 46 | $4,140 | $4,408 | $4,735 |
| San Bernardino | $4,421 | 47 | $4,086 | $4,368 | $4,810 |
| San Diego | $4,710 | 21 | $4,383 | $4,695 | $5,052 |
| San Francisco | $5,313 | 8 | $4,839 | $5,403 | $5,698 |
| San Joaquin | $4,541 | 38 | $4,197 | $4,550 | $4,877 |
| San Luis Obispo | $4,668 | 23 | $4,315 | $4,735 | $4,953 |
| San Mateo | $4,729 | 19 | $4,444 | $4,686 | $5,058 |
| Santa Barbara | $4,527 | 40 | $4,153 | $4,495 | $4,934 |
| Santa Clara | $4,786 | 16 | $4,442 | $4,747 | $5,169 |
| Santa Cruz | $4,609 | 27 | $4,267 | $4,633 | $4,927 |
| Shasta | $4,589 | 32 | $4,144 | $4,629 | $4,994 |
| Sierra | $5,066 | 11 | $6,018 | $6,477 | $2,702 |
| Siskiyou | $5,173 | 9 | $4,778 | $5,020 | $5,720 |
| Solano | $4,383 | 49 | $4,098 | $4,379 | $4,671 |
| Sonoma | $4,591 | 31 | $4,161 | $4,621 | $4,991 |
| Stanislaus | $4,276 | 56 | $3,955 | $4,246 | $4,627 |
| Sutter | $4,327 | 55 | $4,057 | $4,345 | $4,578 |
| Tehama | $4,642 | 26 | $4,234 | $4,648 | $5,044 |
| Trinity | $6,139 | 2 | $5,636 | $6,113 | $6,667 |
| Tulare | $4,348 | 53 | $4,036 | $4,307 | $4,702 |
| Tuolumne | $4,740 | 17 | $4,256 | $4,739 | $5,225 |
| Ventura | $4,339 | 54 | $3,993 | $4,346 | $4,678 |
| Yolo | $4,445 | 44 | $4,089 | $4,474 | $4,773 |
| Yuba | $4,581 | 33 | $4,140 | $4,524 | $5,080 |

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit

# Limited English Proficiency

Percent students with limited English proficiency (LEP), 1996-1998

| | 1996-1998 Avg. # students w/ limited English proficiency | 1996-1998 Avg. % | 1996 % students w/ limited English proficiency | 1997 % students w/ limited English proficiency | 1998 % students w/ limited English proficiency |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 1,370,442 | 24.5% | 24.2% | 24.6% | 24.6% |
| Alameda | 37,794 | 18.4% | 17.8% | 18.5% | 19.0% |
| Alpine | 0 | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Amador | 45 | 0.9% | 0.8% | 1.0% | 1.0% |
| Butte | 3,607 | 10.3% | 10.0% | 10.5% | 10.4% |
| Calaveras | 49 | 0.7% | 0.6% | 0.7% | 0.8% |
| Colusa | 1,376 | 32.4% | 29.7% | 31.3% | 36.0% |
| Contra Costa | 14,569 | 9.9% | 9.3% | 9.9% | 10.5% |
| Del Norte | 298 | 5.6% | 5.3% | 6.4% | 5.0% |
| El Dorado | 1,303 | 4.5% | 4.4% | 4.6% | 4.5% |
| Fresno | 46,931 | 27.1% | 27.2% | 27.2% | 27.0% |
| Glenn | 1,086 | 17.5% | 16.7% | 17.6% | 18.3% |
| Humboldt | 650 | 3.0% | 2.9% | 2.9% | 3.0% |
| Imperial | 15,284 | 47.3% | 48.0% | 47.7% | 46.2% |
| Inyo | 213 | 6.1% | 5.9% | 5.9% | 6.3% |
| Kern | 25,275 | 18.1% | 17.6% | 18.2% | 18.6% |
| Kings | 3,923 | 16.1% | 16.1% | 16.2% | 16.0% |
| Lake | 399 | 3.9% | 3.5% | 3.9% | 4.4% |
| Lassen | 90 | 1.6% | 1.6% | 1.7% | 1.6% |
| Los Angeles | 553,325 | 35.8% | 35.9% | 36.0% | 35.5% |
| Madera | 6,070 | 25.5% | 25.1% | 25.4% | 25.9% |
| Marin | 2,607 | 9.4% | 8.9% | 9.7% | 9.5% |
| Mariposa | 7 | 0.3% | 0.3% | 0.4% | 0.1% |
| Mendocino | 1,794 | 11.3% | 10.8% | 11.3% | 11.7% |
| Merced | 15,727 | 32.6% | 33.2% | 32.8% | 31.8% |
| Modoc | 288 | 12.5% | 12.1% | 13.1% | 12.1% |
| Mono | 203 | 10.6% | 8.3% | 10.5% | 12.8% |
| Monterey | 22,608 | 34.2% | 33.8% | 33.9% | 34.8% |
| Napa | 3,481 | 18.6% | 17.6% | 18.5% | 19.8% |
| Nevada | 66 | 0.5% | 0.4% | 0.5% | 0.5% |
| Orange | 133,099 | 30.1% | 29.9% | 30.3% | 30.1% |
| Placer | 1,700 | 3.6% | 3.5% | 3.7% | 3.7% |
| Plumas | 58 | 1.6% | 1.4% | 1.6% | 1.8% |
| Riverside | 52,549 | 19.0% | 18.7% | 19.0% | 19.1% |
| Sacramento | 33,393 | 16.7% | 16.0% | 17.1% | 16.9% |
| San Benito | 1,727 | 17.2% | 18.2% | 17.4% | 16.2% |
| San Bernardino | 54,211 | 15.6% | 15.2% | 15.7% | 16.0% |
| San Diego | 97,275 | 21.6% | 21.1% | 21.7% | 22.1% |
| San Francisco | 19,144 | 30.7% | 29.7% | 31.7% | 30.8% |
| San Joaquin | 23,541 | 21.7% | 22.1% | 21.8% | 21.2% |
| San Luis Obispo | 2,832 | 7.9% | 7.5% | 7.9% | 8.3% |
| San Mateo | 19,195 | 21.0% | 20.7% | 20.7% | 21.5% |
| Santa Barbara | 16,198 | 26.2% | 25.1% | 26.3% | 27.1% |
| Santa Clara | 55,328 | 22.3% | 22.2% | 22.6% | 22.2% |
| Santa Cruz | 10,362 | 26.5% | 26.3% | 26.6% | 26.6% |
| Shasta | 923 | 3.0% | 3.1% | 3.0% | 3.0% |
| Sierra | 1 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% |
| Siskiyou | 149 | 1.8% | 1.5% | 1.7% | 2.2% |
| Solano | 5,957 | 8.6% | 8.5% | 8.7% | 8.7% |
| Sonoma | 8,085 | 11.6% | 10.7% | 11.7% | 12.3% |
| Stanislaus | 16,438 | 18.2% | 17.9% | 18.2% | 18.4% |
| Sutter | 2,873 | 18.8% | 19.0% | 19.6% | 17.8% |
| Tehama | 896 | 8.1% | 6.6% | 9.4% | 8.3% |
| Trinity | 3 | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.1% | 0.2% |
| Tulare | 20,562 | 24.7% | 23.6% | 24.8% | 25.6% |
| Tuolumne | 50 | 0.6% | 0.5% | 0.6% | 0.7% |
| Ventura | 26,297 | 20.6% | 20.6% | 20.6% | 20.6% |
| Yolo | 5,393 | 20.9% | 20.2% | 20.7% | 21.7% |
| Yuba | 3,132 | 23.2% | 23.2% | 23.2% | 23.1% |

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit. Note: Percentage refers to the percentage of public school students (K-12) who were designated by the school as having limited proficiency in English.

# Reading

Percent of 3rd graders reading at or above national average, 1998-1999

| | 1999 % 3rd Graders reading at/or above national average | Rank 1998 | 1999 % 3rd Graders reading at/or above national average | 1998 % 3rd Graders reading at/or above national average |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 53 | | 53 | 47 |
| Alameda | 56 | 22 | 56 | 49 |
| Alpine | 63 | 11 | 63 | 44 |
| Amador | 54 | 27 | 54 | 57 |
| Butte | 47 | 39 | 47 | 45 |
| Calaveras | 53 | 31 | 53 | 51 |
| Colusa | 53 | 31 | 53 | 39 |
| Contra Costa | 62 | 15 | 62 | 57 |
| Del Norte | 38 | 56 | 38 | 50 |
| El Dorado | 67 | 6 | 67 | 62 |
| Fresno | 45 | 46 | 45 | 42 |
| Glenn | 42 | 51 | 42 | 45 |
| Humboldt | 55 | 25 | 55 | 54 |
| Imperial | 47 | 39 | 47 | 36 |
| Inyo | 54 | 27 | 54 | 50 |
| Kern | 44 | 48 | 44 | 37 |
| Kings | 42 | 51 | 42 | 38 |
| Lake | 43 | 50 | 43 | 38 |
| Lassen | 54 | 27 | 54 | 51 |
| Los Angeles | 47 | 39 | 47 | 41 |
| Madera | 44 | 48 | 44 | 37 |
| Marin | 81 | 1 | 81 | 78 |
| Mariposa | 57 | 20 | 57 | 58 |
| Mendocino | 47 | 39 | 47 | 42 |
| Merced | 35 | 58 | 35 | 31 |
| Modoc | 46 | 44 | 46 | 44 |
| Mono | 59 | 19 | 59 | 59 |
| Monterey | 48 | 37 | 48 | 40 |
| Napa | 63 | 11 | 63 | 64 |
| Nevada | 68 | 3 | 68 | 62 |
| Orange | 65 | 7 | 65 | 60 |
| Placer | 68 | 3 | 68 | 65 |
| Plumas | 65 | 7 | 65 | 56 |
| Riverside | 42 | 51 | 42 | 38 |
| Sacramento | 55 | 25 | 55 | 45 |
| San Benito | 53 | 31 | 53 | 42 |
| San Bernardino | 41 | 54 | 41 | 35 |
| San Diego | 63 | 11 | 63 | 54 |
| San Francisco | 53 | 31 | 53 | 47 |
| San Joaquin | 41 | 54 | 41 | 38 |
| San Luis Obispo | 68 | 3 | 68 | 60 |
| San Mateo | 63 | 11 | 63 | 57 |
| Santa Barbara | 60 | 18 | 60 | 54 |
| Santa Clara | 65 | 7 | 65 | 63 |
| Santa Cruz | 62 | 15 | 62 | 58 |
| Shasta | 49 | 36 | 49 | 47 |
| Sierra | 69 | 2 | 69 | 54 |
| Siskiyou | 56 | 22 | 56 | 48 |
| Solano | 53 | 31 | 53 | 48 |
| Sonoma | 65 | 7 | 65 | 60 |
| Stanislaus | 47 | 39 | 47 | 43 |
| Sutter | 45 | 46 | 45 | 41 |
| Tehama | 48 | 37 | 48 | 43 |
| Trinity | 57 | 20 | 57 | 48 |
| Tulare | 36 | 57 | 36 | 29 |
| Tuolumne | 56 | 22 | 56 | 55 |
| Ventura | 62 | 15 | 62 | 55 |
| Yolo | 54 | 27 | 54 | 54 |
| Yuba | 46 | 44 | 46 | 42 |

Source: California Department of Education

# Math

Percent of 3rd graders scoring (in math) at or above national average, 1998-1999

| | 1999 % 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average | Rank 1999 | 1999 % 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average | 1998 % 3rd Graders scoring at/or above national average |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 56 | | 56 | 46 |
| Alameda | 56 | 23 | 56 | 45 |
| Alpine | 44 | 53 | 44 | 33 |
| Amador | 59 | 17 | 59 | 48 |
| Butte | 45 | 50 | 45 | 38 |
| Calaveras | 51 | 35 | 51 | 38 |
| Colusa | 48 | 42 | 48 | 32 |
| Contra Costa | 60 | 15 | 60 | 52 |
| Del Norte | 46 | 48 | 46 | 43 |
| El Dorado | 64 | 10 | 64 | 55 |
| Fresno | 53 | 29 | 53 | 46 |
| Glenn | 54 | 27 | 54 | 46 |
| Humboldt | 50 | 37 | 50 | 42 |
| Imperial | 52 | 31 | 52 | 42 |
| Inyo | 60 | 15 | 60 | 47 |
| Kern | 50 | 37 | 50 | 40 |
| Kings | 45 | 50 | 45 | 36 |
| Lake | 45 | 50 | 45 | 37 |
| Lassen | 59 | 17 | 59 | 53 |
| Los Angeles | 52 | 31 | 52 | 44 |
| Madera | 48 | 42 | 48 | 40 |
| Marin | 78 | 1 | 78 | 73 |
| Mariposa | 50 | 37 | 50 | 48 |
| Mendocino | 42 | 54 | 42 | 33 |
| Merced | 40 | 57 | 40 | 31 |
| Modoc | 59 | 17 | 59 | 41 |
| Mono | 30 | 58 | 30 | 50 |
| Monterey | 46 | 48 | 46 | 35 |
| Napa | 64 | 10 | 64 | 59 |
| Nevada | 65 | 8 | 65 | 56 |
| Orange | 70 | 2 | 70 | 62 |
| Placer | 69 | 3 | 69 | 60 |
| Plumas | 59 | 17 | 59 | 51 |
| Riverside | 49 | 40 | 49 | 39 |
| Sacramento | 56 | 23 | 56 | 44 |
| San Benito | 51 | 35 | 51 | 39 |
| San Bernardino | 48 | 42 | 48 | 36 |
| San Diego | 68 | 4 | 68 | 56 |
| San Francisco | 56 | 23 | 56 | 51 |
| San Joaquin | 47 | 47 | 47 | 38 |
| San Luis Obispo | 68 | 4 | 68 | 56 |
| San Mateo | 65 | 8 | 65 | 56 |
| Santa Barbara | 64 | 10 | 64 | 52 |
| Santa Clara | 68 | 4 | 68 | 62 |
| Santa Cruz | 67 | 7 | 67 | 59 |
| Shasta | 49 | 40 | 49 | 42 |
| Sierra | 58 | 21 | 58 | 56 |
| Siskiyou | 52 | 31 | 52 | 41 |
| Solano | 53 | 29 | 53 | 44 |
| Sonoma | 62 | 14 | 62 | 56 |
| Stanislaus | 52 | 31 | 52 | 43 |
| Sutter | 48 | 42 | 48 | 34 |
| Tehama | 48 | 42 | 48 | 38 |
| Trinity | 57 | 22 | 57 | 49 |
| Tulare | 41 | 55 | 41 | 32 |
| Tuolumne | 55 | 26 | 55 | 45 |
| Ventura | 63 | 13 | 63 | 51 |
| Yolo | 54 | 27 | 54 | 47 |
| Yuba | 41 | 55 | 41 | 29 |

Source: California Department of Education

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# Public Library Hours 1997-1998

| | Hours open per month per 100 children ages 0-5 | Hours Rank | Hours open per month per 100 children ages 0-17 | Hours open per month per 100 children ages 6-14 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 5.0 | | 1.8 | 3.6 |
| Alameda | 6.7 | 32 | 2.4 | 4.7 |
| Alpine | 403.4 | 1 | 102.2 | 198.3 |
| Amador | 33.5 | 10 | 9.3 | 17.8 |
| Butte | 3.3 | 54 | 1.0 | 2.0 |
| Calaveras | 28.9 | 11 | 7.8 | 14.6 |
| Colusa | 13.3 | 15 | 4.6 | 9.5 |
| Contra Costa | 4.9 | 45 | 1.6 | 3.2 |
| Del Norte | 8.2 | 27 | 2.4 | 4.7 |
| El Dorado | 6.5 | 35 | 1.9 | 3.6 |
| Fresno | 3.6 | 52 | 1.3 | 2.6 |
| Glenn | 14.2 | 14 | 4.7 | 9.4 |
| Humboldt | 10.1 | 19 | 3.0 | 5.9 |
| Imperial | 8.4 | 25 | 2.9 | 6.0 |
| Inyo | 51.6 | 5 | 15.7 | 30.5 |
| Kern | 5.5 | 40 | 1.9 | 3.9 |
| Kings | 7.5 | 30 | 2.7 | 5.4 |
| Lake | 11.1 | 16 | 3.3 | 6.2 |
| Lassen | 5.2 | 42 | 1.5 | 2.9 |
| Los Angeles | 4.0 | 48 | 1.5 | 3.0 |
| Madera | 5.8 | 38 | 2.1 | 4.4 |
| Marin | 17.8 | 12 | 5.9 | 11.5 |
| Mariposa | 38.1 | 8 | 10.9 | 20.8 |
| Mendocino | 10.3 | 17 | 3.1 | 6.0 |
| Merced | 4.2 | 47 | 1.4 | 2.9 |
| Modoc | 45.9 | 7 | 13.6 | 27.3 |
| Mono | 86.2 | 2 | 24.9 | 45.9 |
| Monterey | 9.5 | 21 | 3.5 | 6.9 |
| Napa | 6.6 | 34 | 2.1 | 4.2 |
| Nevada | 8.3 | 26 | 2.3 | 4.3 |
| Orange | 3.8 | 50 | 1.5 | 3.0 |
| Placer | 9.9 | 20 | 3.1 | 6.1 |
| Plumas | 59.3 | 4 | 14.4 | 26.3 |
| Riverside | 3.7 | 51 | 1.3 | 2.5 |
| Sacramento | 3.0 | 55 | 1.0 | 2.1 |
| San Benito | 5.9 | 37 | 2.1 | 4.4 |
| San Bernardino | 3.8 | 49 | 1.3 | 2.6 |
| San Diego | 5.1 | 43 | 1.9 | 3.8 |
| San Francisco | 9.0 | 24 | 3.2 | 6.5 |
| San Joaquin | 2.2 | 58 | 0.7 | 1.4 |
| San Luis Obispo | 10.2 | 18 | 3.1 | 6.0 |
| San Mateo | 9.1 | 23 | 3.2 | 6.5 |
| Santa Barbara | 6.1 | 36 | 2.2 | 4.4 |
| Santa Clara | 5.5 | 41 | 2.0 | 4.0 |
| Santa Cruz | 9.4 | 22 | 3.2 | 6.3 |
| Shasta | 2.2 | 57 | 0.7 | 1.3 |
| Sierra | 71.0 | 3 | 12.4 | 22.0 |
| Siskiyou | 37.5 | 9 | 10.6 | 20.5 |
| Solano | 3.4 | 53 | 1.1 | 2.1 |
| Sonoma | 8.1 | 28 | 2.5 | 4.9 |
| Stanislaus | 5.5 | 39 | 1.8 | 3.6 |
| Sutter | 7.3 | 31 | 2.4 | 4.8 |
| Tehama | 6.6 | 33 | 2.1 | 4.1 |
| Trinity | 47.2 | 6 | 12.5 | 23.9 |
| Tulare | 4.5 | 46 | 1.6 | 3.4 |
| Tuolumne | 14.9 | 13 | 4.1 | 7.8 |
| Ventura | 5.0 | 44 | 1.7 | 3.5 |
| Yolo | 7.8 | 29 | 2.7 | 5.3 |
| Yuba | 2.3 | 56 | 0.8 | 1.5 |

Source: California State Library. Notes: a =Sierra County contracts with Plumas County for some library services. Plumas County figures include data for Sierra County. 1) NA =Not available. 2) School-age children are children ages 6-14. 3) Pre school children are children ages 0-5.

# Public Library Programs

School-age programs and preschool child programs, 1997-1998

| | Total child school-age programs | # programs available per 100 school-age children | Rank | Total child preschool programs | # programs available per 100 preschool children | Rank |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 97,194 | 2.1 | | 47,558 | 1.4 | |
| Alameda | 4,769 | 2.5 | 9 | 3,079 | 2.3 | 20 |
| Alpine | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| Amador | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| Butte | 218 | 0.9 | 33 | 294 | 1.9 | 23 |
| Calaveras | 12 | 0.3 | 46 | 142 | 5.9 | 6 |
| Colusa | 340 | 12.2 | 1 | 51 | 2.6 | 18 |
| Contra Costa | 1,403 | 1.2 | 26 | 1,818 | 2.4 | 19 |
| Del Norte | 25 | 0.7 | 35 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| El Dorado | 110 | 0.5 | 39 | 132 | 1.2 | 34 |
| Fresno | 1,630 | 1.3 | 22 | 457 | 0.5 | 47 |
| Glenn | 115 | 2.8 | 8 | 45 | 1.6 | 24 |
| Humboldt | 209 | 1.3 | 23 | 418 | 4.4 | 10 |
| Imperial | 84 | 0.4 | 44 | 62 | 0.4 | 49 |
| Inyo | 5 | 0.2 | 47 | 4 | 0.3 | 50 |
| Kern | 2,285 | 2.2 | 10 | 760 | 1.0 | 35 |
| Kings | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| Lake | 15 | 0.2 | 48 | 51 | 1.3 | 32 |
| Lassen | 15 | 0.4 | 43 | 21 | 1.0 | 37 |
| Los Angeles | 52,811 | 3.8 | 6 | 8,772 | 0.8 | 38 |
| Madera | 96 | 0.6 | 37 | 276 | 2.2 | 21 |
| Marin | 508 | 2.0 | 11 | 752 | 4.5 | 9 |
| Mariposa | 95 | 5.2 | 5 | 72 | 7.2 | 4 |
| Mendocino | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| Merced | 554 | 1.6 | 17 | 390 | 1.6 | 25 |
| Modoc | 13 | 1.1 | 29 | 68 | 9.5 | 2 |
| Mono | 120 | 8.4 | 2 | 58 | 7.6 | 3 |
| Monterey | 1,019 | 1.7 | 14 | 1,513 | 3.6 | 15 |
| Napa | 511 | 3.5 | 7 | 336 | 3.6 | 14 |
| Nevada | 74 | 0.7 | 34 | 72 | 1.3 | 31 |
| Orange | 5,825 | 1.6 | 16 | 4,530 | 1.5 | 28 |
| Placer | 383 | 1.3 | 24 | 566 | 3.1 | 16 |
| Plumas | 191 | 8.0 | 3 | 190 | 17.8 | 1 |
| Riverside | 1,246 | 0.6 | 38 | 1,183 | 0.8 | 41 |
| Sacramento | 323 | 0.2 | 49 | 909 | 0.8 | 40 |
| San Benito | 42 | 0.6 | 36 | 53 | 1.0 | 36 |
| San Bernardino | 1,340 | 0.5 | 40 | 1,413 | 0.8 | 42 |
| San Diego | 5,736 | 1.5 | 19 | 4,238 | 1.5 | 29 |
| San Francisco | 4,288 | 5.8 | 4 | 3,296 | 6.1 | 5 |
| San Joaquin | 870 | 1.0 | 32 | 374 | 0.7 | 46 |
| San Luis Obispo | 417 | 1.5 | 20 | 638 | 3.9 | 12 |
| San Mateo | 1,638 | 1.9 | 13 | 2,335 | 3.7 | 13 |
| Santa Barbara | 224 | 0.4 | 42 | 153 | 0.4 | 48 |
| Santa Clara | 2,407 | 1.1 | 28 | 4,116 | 2.6 | 17 |
| Santa Cruz | 397 | 1.2 | 25 | 449 | 2.1 | 22 |
| Shasta | 36 | 0.2 | 50 | 95 | 0.7 | 44 |
| Sierra | a | a | a | a | a | a |
| Siskiyou | 4 | 0.1 | 51 | 153 | 5.2 | 7 |
| Solano | 605 | 1.0 | 31 | 446 | 1.2 | 33 |
| Sonoma | 659 | 1.2 | 27 | 456 | 1.3 | 30 |
| Stanislaus | 1,036 | 1.5 | 18 | 692 | 1.5 | 27 |
| Sutter | 187 | 1.7 | 15 | 337 | 4.5 | 8 |
| Tehama | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Trinity | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 0 | 0.0 | 51 |
| Tulare | 756 | 1.3 | 21 | 364 | 0.8 | 39 |
| Tuolumne | 26 | 0.5 | 41 | 120 | 4.0 | 11 |
| Ventura | 1,106 | 1.1 | 30 | 546 | 0.8 | 43 |
| Yolo | 388 | 1.9 | 12 | 214 | 1.5 | 26 |
| Yuba | 28 | 0.3 | 45 | 49 | 0.7 | 45 |

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# High School Dropout Rates

Public School Grades 9-12, 1995-1998

| | 1995-1998 Avg. # high school dropouts | 1995-1998 Avg. rate | 1995-1998 Rank | 1995-1996 Rate | 1996-1997 Rate | 1997-1998 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 52,636 | 3.4% | | 3.9% | 3.3% | 2.9% |
| Alameda | 1,653 | 3.0% | 34 | 3.7% | 2.6% | 2.5% |
| Alpine | b | b | b | b | b | b |
| Amador | 17 | 1.1% | 2 | 1.0% | 1.4% | 1.0% |
| Butte | 431 | 4.4% | 52 | 5.2% | 4.0% | 3.98% |
| Calaveras | 41 | 1.8% | 11 | 2.2% | 1.7% | 1.5% |
| Colusa | 17 | 1.2% | 3 | 1.5% | 0.6% | 1.6% |
| Contra Costa | 830 | 2.0% | 18 | 2.2% | 1.7% | 2.1% |
| Del Norte | 35 | 2.4% | 24 | 2.3% | 2.4% | 2.4% |
| El Dorado | 194 | 2.2% | 21 | 2.2% | 2.4% | 1.9% |
| Fresno | 2,146 | 4.5% | 53 | 4.8% | 4.4% | 4.3% |
| Glenn | 63 | 3.7% | 48 | 4.7% | 4.0% | 2.3% |
| Humboldt | 213 | 3.3% | 40 | 3.5% | 3.0% | 3.3% |
| Imperial | 179 | 1.8% | 12 | 1.9% | 1.4% | 2.2% |
| Inyo | 16 | 1.5% | 6 | 1.8% | 1.2% | 1.5% |
| Kern | 1,588 | 4.1% | 51 | 4.4% | 4.2% | 3.6% |
| Kings | 157 | 2.4% | 25 | 2.6% | 2.0% | 2.5% |
| Lake | 100 | 3.5% | 44 | 3.8% | 3.7% | 3.0% |
| Lassen | 44 | 2.7% | 30 | 1.6% | 3.6% | 2.9% |
| Los Angeles | 18,868 | 4.5% | 54 | 5.6% | 4.6% | 3.4% |
| Madera | 211 | 3.2% | 39 | 3.5% | 3.0% | 3.2% |
| Marin | 103 | 1.3% | 4 | 1.2% | 1.4% | 1.3% |
| Mariposa | 20 | 2.5% | 27 | 2.4% | 2.0% | 3.1% |
| Mendocino | 169 | 3.4% | 43 | 3.1% | 3.7% | 3.3% |
| Merced | 437 | 3.2% | 38 | 3.6% | 2.4% | 3.7% |
| Modoc | 12 | 1.8% | 9 | 2.6% | 1.7% | 1.2% |
| Mono | 10 | 2.1% | 20 | 2.8% | 3.4% | 0.2% |
| Monterey | 578 | 3.4% | 42 | 3.6% | 3.1% | 3.4% |
| Napa | 73 | 1.3% | 5 | 1.4% | 1.1% | 1.5% |
| Nevada | 165 | 3.6% | 46 | 3.5% | 3.4% | 4.0% |
| Orange | 2,980 | 2.3% | 23 | 2.7% | 2.5% | 1.9% |
| Placer | 272 | 1.9% | 15 | 2.1% | 2.0% | 1.8% |
| Plumas | 22 | 1.9% | 13 | 2.3% | 2.1% | 1.4% |
| Riverside | 2,035 | 2.7% | 29 | 2.8% | 2.6% | 2.5% |
| Sacramento | 1,960 | 3.6% | 45 | 4.3% | 3.2% | 3.2% |
| San Benito | 44 | 1.6% | 7 | 0.9% | 1.0% | 2.8% |
| San Bernardino | 3,568 | 3.8% | 49 | 4.7% | 3.3% | 3.5% |
| San Diego | 3,561 | 2.9% | 33 | 3.0% | 2.9% | 2.7% |
| San Francisco | 932 | 4.7% | 56 | 4.1% | 4.3% | 5.7% |
| San Joaquin | 583 | 1.9% | 17 | 2.3% | 1.9% | 1.7% |
| San Luis Obispo | 183 | 1.7% | 8 | 1.9% | 1.8% | 1.5% |
| San Mateo | 488 | 1.9% | 14 | 2.2% | 2.0% | 1.6% |
| Santa Barbara | 427 | 2.6% | 28 | 2.8% | 2.7% | 2.3% |
| Santa Clara | 2,132 | 3.1% | 36 | 3.8% | 2.5% | 3.1% |
| Santa Cruz | 358 | 3.3% | 41 | 3.3% | 3.9% | 2.7% |
| Shasta | 298 | 3.2% | 37 | 4.0% | 2.5% | 3.1% |
| Sierra | 7 | 2.1% | 19 | 0.7% | 1.0% | 3.4% |
| Siskiyou | 123 | 4.6% | 55 | 4.4% | 5.6% | 3.9% |
| Solano | 385 | 1.9% | 16 | 2.4% | 1.8% | 1.7% |
| Sonoma | 536 | 2.8% | 31 | 2.7% | 2.6% | 3.1% |
| Stanislaus | 914 | 3.6% | 47 | 3.7% | 3.5% | 3.66% |
| Sutter | 233 | 5.2% | 57 | 5.4% | 6.0% | 4.4% |
| Tehama | 59 | 1.8% | 10 | 1.6% | 1.8% | 2.1% |
| Trinity | 8 | 1.1% | 1 | 1.7% | 0.9% | 0.6% |
| Tulare | 875 | 3.9% | 50 | 3.2% | 4.6% | 3.865% |
| Tuolumne | 58 | 2.2% | 22 | 2.1% | 2.5% | 2.1% |
| Ventura | 910 | 2.5% | 26 | 2.9% | 2.5% | 2.1% |
| Yolo | 210 | 2.8% | 32 | 3.2% | 2.8% | 2.4% |
| Yuba | 105 | 3.0% | 35 | 2.7% | 2.8% | 3.4% |

Source: Department of Education, Demographic Unit. Note: b =not applicable (i.e., no school in Alpine county).

# HS Graduates Prepared for College 1995-1998

| | 1995-1998 Avg. # grads completing UC/CSU requirement | 1995-1998 Avg. % | 1995-1998 Rank | 1995-1996 % Grads prepared | 1996-1997 % Grads prepared | 1997-1998 % Grads prepared |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 97,333 | 36.0% | | 35.4% | 36.0% | 36.6% |
| Alameda | 3,744 | 37.3% | 20 | 36.2% | 37.3% | 38.2% |
| Alpine | n/a | b | b | b | b | b |
| Amador | 84 | 27.2% | 45 | 35.8% | 25.4% | 22.0% |
| Butte | 598 | 34.8% | 27 | 35.6% | 34.4% | 34.2% |
| Calaveras | 129 | 29.2% | 42 | 21.7% | 31.4% | 33.8% |
| Colusa | 64 | 22.5% | 54 | 31.1% | 23.8% | 14.4% |
| Contra Costa | 3,543 | 44.1% | 8 | 43.6% | 42.9% | 45.7% |
| Del Norte | 57 | 21.5% | 55 | 14.8% | 27.4% | 22.3% |
| El Dorado | 647 | 41.4% | 11 | 42.3% | 39.8% | 42.1% |
| Fresno | 2,472 | 31.7% | 35 | 29.4% | 32.8% | 32.7% |
| Glenn | 109 | 32.6% | 32 | 44.4% | 28.4% | 25.8% |
| Humboldt | 368 | 30.0% | 40 | 28.5% | 30.7% | 30.9% |
| Imperial | 375 | 22.9% | 53 | 27.5% | 20.2% | 20.6% |
| Inyo | 84 | 36.1% | 23 | 39.6% | 33.3% | 35.4% |
| Kern | 1,333 | 19.0% | 56 | 17.6% | 18.9% | 20.5% |
| Kings | 355 | 32.2% | 33 | 32.3% | 35.0% | 29.4% |
| Lake | 153 | 30.6% | 39 | 31.8% | 29.7% | 30.3% |
| Lassen | 68 | 22.9% | 52 | 31.3% | 17.7% | 20.1% |
| Los Angeles | 27,993 | 40.2% | 13 | 40.7% | 39.8% | 40.1% |
| Madera | 361 | 32.6% | 31 | 32.9% | 32.5% | 32.5% |
| Marin | 770 | 47.4% | 4 | 46.9% | 46.2% | 49.2% |
| Mariposa | 41 | 26.2% | 48 | 29.6% | 23.9% | 25.3% |
| Mendocino | 296 | 31.1% | 37 | 34.1% | 30.9% | 28.4% |
| Merced | 636 | 26.4% | 47 | 24.3% | 27.4% | 27.4% |
| Modoc | 45 | 35.1% | 26 | 36.4% | 36.4% | 32.6% |
| Mono | 45 | 51.7% | 2 | 53.7% | 33.0% | 69.3% |
| Monterey | 841 | 29.8% | 41 | 33.0% | 27.8% | 28.8% |
| Napa | 348 | 34.6% | 28 | 31.8% | 34.4% | 37.2% |
| Nevada | 382 | 45.6% | 5 | 40.1% | 43.7% | 52.6% |
| Orange | 8,611 | 37.6% | 18 | 34.7% | 38.6% | 39.2% |
| Placer | 1,000 | 37.7% | 17 | 38.1% | 37.0% | 38.1% |
| Plumas | 93 | 38.6% | 15 | 33.2% | 44.0% | 38.0% |
| Riverside | 3,703 | 28.6% | 43 | 28.5% | 28.1% | 29.0% |
| Sacramento | 3,311 | 35.8% | 25 | 37.1% | 33.6% | 36.8% |
| San Benito | 199 | 41.4% | 10 | 34.5% | 49.2% | 40.3% |
| San Bernardino | 3,799 | 24.3% | 51 | 23.0% | 23.9% | 25.8% |
| San Diego | 8,219 | 37.4% | 19 | 34.8% | 38.0% | 39.4% |
| San Francisco | 1,964 | 55.1% | 1 | 48.7% | 60.3% | 56.5% |
| San Joaquin | 1,334 | 27.1% | 46 | 27.5% | 26.2% | 27.6% |
| San Luis Obispo | 725 | 36.8% | 21 | 33.3% | 39.7% | 37.1% |
| San Mateo | 2,075 | 45.4% | 6 | 44.6% | 46.4% | 45.4% |
| Santa Barbara | 1,106 | 38.3% | 16 | 35.6% | 35.9% | 43.3% |
| Santa Clara | 5,469 | 43.8% | 9 | 42.4% | 43.9% | 45.0% |
| Santa Cruz | 703 | 36.0% | 24 | 38.3% | 33.9% | 35.9% |
| Shasta | 530 | 31.9% | 34 | 32.5% | 30.2% | 33.0% |
| Sierra | 28 | 49.1% | 3 | 43.2% | 50.8% | 50.6% |
| Siskiyou | 193 | 39.1% | 14 | 42.8% | 33.9% | 41.3% |
| Solano | 1,079 | 30.7% | 38 | 32.3% | 33.5% | 26.6% |
| Sonoma | 1,339 | 40.9% | 12 | 37.9% | 45.2% | 39.6% |
| Stanislaus | 1,129 | 24.6% | 50 | 24.5% | 24.2% | 25.1% |
| Sutter | 212 | 26.1% | 49 | 27.7% | 27.6% | 23.2% |
| Tehama | 189 | 33.0% | 30 | 28.5% | 36.5% | 33.8% |
| Trinity | 67 | 44.8% | 7 | 38.9% | 47.6% | 46.5% |
| Tulare | 1,115 | 28.4% | 44 | 31.1% | 28.1% | 26.3% |
| Tuolumne | 152 | 31.6% | 36 | 36.6% | 29.4% | 28.8% |
| Ventura | 2,489 | 36.6% | 22 | 35.7% | 37.6% | 36.4% |
| Yolo | 483 | 34.1% | 29 | 33.5% | 34.5% | 34.2% |
| Yuba | 75 | 15.7% | 57 | 17.0% | 15.4% | 14.9% |

Source: California Department of Education, Education Demographics Unit. Note: 1) Percentage refers to percentage of all 12th grade graduates in California public schools completing all courses required for University of California and/or California State University entrance. 2) b –Not applicable (i.e.: no school in Alpine county).

# Foster Care

Ages 0-17, 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | 1995-1997 Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 96,437 | 10.6 | | 10.1 | 10.5 | 11.3 |
| Alameda | 4,199 | 11.9 | 50 | 11.8 | 12.2 | 11.7 |
| Alpine | 7 | 29.8 | NR | 31.4 | 24.4 | 33.8 |
| Amador | 26 | 4.0 | 7 | 4.2 | 4.2 | 3.5 |
| Butte | 747 | 15.2 | 54 | 12.4 | 15.1 | 18.1 |
| Calaveras | 73 | 8.4 | 35 | 7.5 | 8.8 | 8.9 |
| Colusa | 25 | 4.6 | 15 | 4.6 | 4.0 | 5.2 |
| Contra Costa | 2,220 | 9.7 | 39 | 10.1 | 9.5 | 9.6 |
| Del Norte | 92 | 13.0 | 52 | 12.2 | 12.1 | 14.8 |
| El Dorado | 244 | 6.5 | 26 | 5.8 | 6.0 | 7.6 |
| Fresno | 2,910 | 11.6 | 46 | 11.2 | 11.5 | 12.0 |
| Glenn | 87 | 10.6 | 42 | 9.2 | 9.3 | 13.4 |
| Humboldt | 321 | 10.1 | 41 | 11.1 | 9.3 | 9.8 |
| Imperial | 222 | 4.8 | 18 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 5.6 |
| Inyo | 19 | 4.3 | 8 | 3.8 | 4.1 | 5.0 |
| Kern | 1,812 | 9.0 | 36 | 8.4 | 8.9 | 9.7 |
| Kings | 215 | 5.9 | 21 | 6.3 | 5.5 | 5.9 |
| Lake | 129 | 9.6 | 38 | 9.7 | 8.6 | 10.6 |
| Lassen | 101 | 14.6 | 53 | 15.7 | 13.7 | 14.3 |
| Los Angeles | 45,847 | 17.0 | 56 | 15.3 | 16.8 | 18.7 |
| Madera | 146 | 4.5 | 12 | 4.4 | 4.3 | 4.7 |
| Marin | 157 | 3.2 | 2 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Mariposa | 26 | 7.4 | 30 | 6.1 | 9.0 | 7.1 |
| Mendocino | 249 | 11.1 | 43 | 11.0 | 11.1 | 11.1 |
| Merced | 317 | 4.6 | 14 | 5.3 | 4.6 | 3.8 |
| Modoc | 11 | 4.3 | 9 | 1.6 | 3.6 | 7.8 |
| Mono | 13 | 4.8 | 16 | 4.1 | 5.3 | 4.9 |
| Monterey | 391 | 3.6 | 3 | 3.2 | 3.6 | 3.8 |
| Napa | 181 | 6.4 | 25 | 6.8 | 6.5 | 6.0 |
| Nevada | 95 | 4.8 | 17 | 4.3 | 4.8 | 5.2 |
| Orange | 3,298 | 4.6 | 13 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.7 |
| Placer | 306 | 5.5 | 20 | 4.3 | 5.3 | 6.9 |
| Plumas | 29 | 6.3 | 23 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 7.1 |
| Riverside | 3,403 | 8.1 | 31 | 7.8 | 8.4 | 8.2 |
| Sacramento | 3,674 | 11.5 | 45 | 10.7 | 10.8 | 13.0 |
| San Benito | 57 | 4.3 | 10 | 4.3 | 4.1 | 4.6 |
| San Bernardino | 4,247 | 8.2 | 33 | 8.1 | 8.0 | 8.3 |
| San Diego | 5,972 | 8.2 | 32 | 8.4 | 8.0 | 8.0 |
| San Francisco | 3,154 | 22.2 | 57 | 22.4 | 21.9 | 22.4 |
| San Joaquin | 1,491 | 9.2 | 37 | 9.5 | 9.1 | 8.9 |
| San Luis Obispo | 367 | 7.0 | 27 | 6.7 | 6.8 | 7.6 |
| San Mateo | 649 | 3.9 | 6 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 3.7 |
| Santa Barbara | 362 | 3.6 | 4 | 3.5 | 3.6 | 3.6 |
| Santa Clara | 2,978 | 7.1 | 28 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 7.3 |
| Santa Cruz | 392 | 6.3 | 24 | 6.1 | 6.3 | 6.6 |
| Shasta | 426 | 9.8 | 40 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 10.6 |
| Sierra | 10 | 12.9 | 51 | 12.5 | 12.9 | 13.5 |
| Siskiyou | 172 | 15.8 | 55 | 16.2 | 15.7 | 15.5 |
| Solano | 488 | 4.4 | 11 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.5 |
| Sonoma | 412 | 3.8 | 5 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 3.9 |
| Stanislaus | 698 | 5.3 | 19 | 5.8 | 5.2 | 5.0 |
| Sutter | 178 | 8.2 | 34 | 7.6 | 7.7 | 9.3 |
| Tehama | 171 | 11.9 | 49 | 9.6 | 11.9 | 14.1 |
| Trinity | 36 | 11.2 | 44 | 12.3 | 10.0 | 11.2 |
| Tulare | 1,389 | 11.7 | 47 | 13.4 | 11.6 | 10.0 |
| Tuolumne | 67 | 6.1 | 22 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 6.4 |
| Ventura | 599 | 3.0 | 1 | 3.1 | 2.8 | 3.1 |
| Yolo | 285 | 7.3 | 29 | 6.8 | 7.0 | 8.1 |
| Yuba | 245 | 11.9 | 48 | 11.8 | 11.4 | 12.4 |

Source: University of California, Berkeley, Child Welfare Research Center. Note: Rate refers to the number of children in foster care per 1,000 children.

# Foster Care

## Ages 0-5, 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # of children in foster care | 1995-1997 Avg. rate | 1995-1997 Rank | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 33,704 | 9.8 | | 9.6 | 9.6 | 10.3 |
| Alameda | 1,363 | 10.4 | 39 | 10.8 | 10.9 | 9.6 |
| Alpine | 2 | 25.4 | NR | 28.6 | 0.0 | 48.4 |
| Amador | 6 | 3.2 | NR | 5.5 | 2.8 | 1.1 |
| Butte | 248 | 16.0 | 47 | 13.9 | 15.9 | 18.2 |
| Calaveras | 16 | 6.7 | 23 | 3.9 | 7.5 | 8.9 |
| Colusa | 7 | 3.6 | NR | 4.2 | 3.1 | 3.6 |
| Contra Costa | 642 | 8.2 | 28 | 9.1 | 7.6 | 7.9 |
| Del Norte | 25 | 11.5 | 42 | 12.0 | 10.4 | 12.1 |
| El Dorado | 73 | 6.5 | 21 | 6.1 | 5.8 | 7.5 |
| Fresno | 1,064 | 11.4 | 41 | 11.7 | 11.3 | 11.1 |
| Glenn | 25 | 9.3 | NR | 8.0 | 6.6 | 13.3 |
| Humboldt | 101 | 10.2 | 38 | 12.5 | 9.3 | 8.9 |
| Imperial | 62 | 3.7 | 10 | 3.4 | 3.5 | 4.1 |
| Inyo | 4 | 3.2 | NR | 3.6 | 3.0 | 3.0 |
| Kern | 565 | 7.6 | 25 | 6.9 | 7.4 | 8.7 |
| Kings | 79 | 5.9 | 19 | 5.5 | 5.6 | 6.5 |
| Lake | 32 | 7.6 | 24 | 8.1 | 6.2 | 8.4 |
| Lassen | 28 | 14.1 | 44 | 18.8 | 13.2 | 10.4 |
| Los Angeles | 16,537 | 15.2 | 45 | 14.0 | 15.0 | 16.7 |
| Madera | 42 | 3.6 | 8 | 3.2 | 3.2 | 4.3 |
| Marin | 42 | 2.5 | 2 | 2.6 | 2.0 | 2.8 |
| Mariposa | 11 | 10.0 | 36 | 8.9 | 13.1 | 7.9 |
| Mendocino | 68 | 9.9 | 35 | 10.4 | 9.5 | 9.8 |
| Merced | 106 | 4.3 | 12 | 5.5 | 4.3 | 3.0 |
| Modoc | 3 | 4.8 | NR | 0.0 | 2.9 | 11.7 |
| Mono | 3 | 3.6 | NR | 2.2 | 3.6 | 5.0 |
| Monterey | 134 | 3.2 | 6 | 3.1 | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Napa | 62 | 6.6 | 22 | 7.7 | 6.5 | 5.7 |
| Nevada | 23 | 4.3 | 11 | 5.0 | 4.4 | 3.4 |
| Orange | 1,306 | 4.4 | 13 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 4.5 |
| Placer | 79 | 4.4 | 14 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 5.8 |
| Plumas | 7 | 6.5 | NR | 5.8 | 5.4 | 8.3 |
| Riverside | 1,235 | 8.1 | 27 | 8.0 | 8.4 | 8.0 |
| Sacramento | 1,152 | 10.1 | 37 | 9.1 | 9.3 | 11.9 |
| San Benito | 15 | 3.1 | 5 | 3.9 | 2.1 | 3.3 |
| San Bernardino | 1,512 | 8.0 | 26 | 8.3 | 7.7 | 7.9 |
| San Diego | 2,437 | 8.5 | 29 | 8.9 | 8.3 | 8.4 |
| San Francisco | 1,033 | 18.5 | 48 | 19.3 | 18.0 | 18.2 |
| San Joaquin | 534 | 9.4 | 34 | 9.9 | 9.1 | 9.2 |
| San Luis Obispo | 102 | 6.1 | 20 | 5.7 | 5.9 | 6.8 |
| San Mateo | 184 | 2.9 | 4 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 2.8 |
| Santa Barbara | 87 | 2.3 | 1 | 2.5 | 2.2 | 2.1 |
| Santa Clara | 913 | 5.7 | 18 | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.7 |
| Santa Cruz | 124 | 5.4 | 16 | 5.2 | 5.2 | 5.9 |
| Shasta | 145 | 11.0 | 40 | 12.1 | 9.2 | 11.6 |
| Sierra | 2 | 13.0 | NR | 7.2 | 23.8 | 8.3 |
| Siskiyou | 46 | 15.9 | 46 | 17.5 | 15.2 | 15.0 |
| Solano | 119 | 3.2 | 7 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| Sonoma | 125 | 3.6 | 9 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 |
| Stanislaus | 235 | 5.2 | 15 | 6.1 | 5.1 | 4.4 |
| Sutter | 66 | 8.7 | 31 | 8.1 | 7.8 | 10.3 |
| Tehama | 43 | 9.4 | 32 | 6.9 | 9.2 | 12.1 |
| Trinity | 4 | 4.7 | NR | 4.6 | 4.8 | 4.9 |
| Tulare | 409 | 9.4 | 33 | 11.3 | 8.6 | 8.4 |
| Tuolumne | 17 | 5.5 | 17 | 6.7 | 4.6 | 5.3 |
| Ventura | 188 | 2.6 | 3 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 2.7 |
| Yolo | 121 | 8.7 | 30 | 8.7 | 7.5 | 9.9 |
| Yuba | 92 | 12.8 | 43 | 11.6 | 13.2 | 13.5 |

Source: University of California, Berkeley, Child Welfare Research Center. Note: Rate refers to the number of children in foster care per 1,000 children.

# Child Abuse 1994-1996

| | 1994-96 Avg. child abuse reports | 1994-96 Avg. rate | 1994-96 Rank | 1994 Rate | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 687,072 | 77.2 | | 75.8 | 77.5 | 78.2 |
| Alameda | 17,587 | 51.1 | 6 | 57.4 | 55.9 | 40.3 |
| Alpine | 102 | 401.3 | 58 | 295.5 | 447.1 | 467.5 |
| Amador | 428 | 66.0 | 13 | 60.6 | 62.5 | 75.0 |
| Butte | 9,034 | 184.9 | 53 | 200.5 | 180.1 | 174.4 |
| Calaveras | 1,264 | 144.1 | 44 | 149.7 | 137.8 | 144.8 |
| Colusa | 462 | 84.5 | 20 | 93.5 | 85.4 | 74.9 |
| Contra Costa | 19,341 | 86.1 | 23 | 82.2 | 86.3 | 89.6 |
| Del Norte | 1,239 | 173.9 | 50 | 189.8 | 170.3 | 161.3 |
| El Dorado | 2,738 | 72.7 | 18 | 70.6 | 76.1 | 71.5 |
| Fresno | 23,560 | 95.4 | 31 | 89.9 | 90.6 | 105.3 |
| Glenn | 1,082 | 133.6 | 43 | 136.8 | 136.0 | 128.1 |
| Humboldt | 5,855 | 183.5 | 52 | 146.3 | 183.0 | 221.6 |
| Imperial | 2,477 | 54.1 | 8 | 44.7 | 56.8 | 60.9 |
| Inyo | 495 | 110.8 | 36 | 105.0 | 114.5 | 112.9 |
| Kern | 10,577 | 53.2 | 7 | 50.1 | 42.1 | 67.4 |
| Kings | 3,277 | 91.7 | 25 | 80.1 | 83.2 | 111.3 |
| Lake | 2,636 | 196.2 | 55 | 122.4 | 237.1 | 229.2 |
| Lassen | 1,373 | 202.2 | 56 | 188.0 | 206.3 | 212.0 |
| Los Angeles | 179,074 | 67.4 | 14 | 62.9 | 67.9 | 71.2 |
| Madera | 3,623 | 112.6 | 38 | 103.2 | 111.0 | 123.3 |
| Marin | 2,114 | 44.0 | 2 | 49.7 | 41.9 | 40.5 |
| Mariposa | 526 | 145.6 | 45 | 148.1 | 135.3 | 153.6 |
| Mendocino | 3,327 | 147.8 | 47 | 120.5 | 156.7 | 166.3 |
| Merced | 8,461 | 122.5 | 40 | 114.0 | 137.5 | 116.0 |
| Modoc | 446 | 176.3 | 51 | 197.3 | 206.3 | 123.9 |
| Mono | 201 | 75.3 | 19 | 60.9 | 82.2 | 83.0 |
| Monterey | 9,164 | 85.6 | 22 | 80.9 | 90.8 | 85.1 |
| Napa | 1,187 | 42.6 | 1 | 41.9 | 42.5 | 43.3 |
| Nevada | 1,877 | 93.1 | 27 | 88.0 | 98.7 | 92.6 |
| Orange | 35,049 | 49.9 | 5 | 56.7 | 49.1 | 44.1 |
| Placer | 3,715 | 68.7 | 15 | 91.0 | 62.6 | 53.8 |
| Plumas | 622 | 130.5 | 41 | 146.1 | 130.7 | 113.6 |
| Riverside | 26,396 | 64.5 | 12 | 59.1 | 70.1 | 64.2 |
| Sacramento | 29,583 | 94.2 | 29 | 91.6 | 87.4 | 103.5 |
| San Benito | 740 | 57.4 | 10 | 49.8 | 66.5 | 55.7 |
| San Bernardino | 49,274 | 95.9 | 32 | 99.9 | 93.8 | 94.1 |
| San Diego | 81,495 | 114.1 | 39 | 110.9 | 114.8 | 116.4 |
| San Francisco | 8,389 | 60.6 | 11 | 64.2 | 62.4 | 55.5 |
| San Joaquin | 14,400 | 90.0 | 24 | 94.7 | 91.5 | 84.1 |
| San Luis Obispo | 7,564 | 146.5 | 46 | 148.3 | 141.7 | 149.4 |
| San Mateo | 7,487 | 45.9 | 3 | 51.1 | 46.0 | 40.8 |
| Santa Barbara | 9,112 | 92.6 | 26 | 86.6 | 98.1 | 93.1 |
| Santa Clara | 23,291 | 56.9 | 9 | 56.3 | 60.5 | 54.0 |
| Santa Cruz | 5,716 | 93.5 | 28 | 92.1 | 97.3 | 91.2 |
| Shasta | 6,652 | 152.9 | 48 | 155.9 | 156.5 | 146.3 |
| Sierra | 86 | 108.6 | 35 | 76.3 | 137.7 | 111.8 |
| Siskiyou | 1,245 | 112.2 | 37 | 119.5 | 126.7 | 89.5 |
| Solano | 5,040 | 46.0 | 4 | 37.7 | 48.5 | 51.6 |
| Sonoma | 7,638 | 72.0 | 17 | 78.6 | 70.4 | 67.1 |
| Stanislaus | 11,071 | 85.3 | 21 | 87.0 | 79.3 | 89.6 |
| Sutter | 2,081 | 97.8 | 33 | 95.7 | 99.3 | 98.5 |
| Tehama | 2,270 | 156.8 | 49 | 193.5 | 135.1 | 141.7 |
| Trinity | 709 | 217.0 | 57 | 240.3 | 205.5 | 204.3 |
| Tulare | 11,087 | 94.5 | 30 | 81.3 | 90.5 | 111.2 |
| Tuolumne | 1,487 | 132.8 | 42 | 111.5 | 155.6 | 132.0 |
| Ventura | 13,676 | 68.8 | 16 | 71.9 | 69.8 | 64.6 |
| Yolo | 3,849 | 100.4 | 34 | 108.1 | 99.8 | 93.7 |
| Yuba | 3,822 | 185.2 | 54 | 188.4 | 197.1 | 169.9 |

Source: California Department of Social Services, Data Analysis and Publications Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of reports per 1,000 children in population.

# Gun Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-17, 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-17 | 1995-1997 Rate | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 1,532 | 16.9 | 21.1 | 16.3 | 13.5 |
| Alameda | 47 | 13.3 | 17.2 | 12.3 | 10.7 |
| Alpine | 0 | 135.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Amador | 1 | 15.4 | 15.5 | 15.5 | 15.4 |
| Butte | 4 | 8.1 | 10.2 | 2.0 | 12.2 |
| Calaveras | 1 | 15.2 | 11.3 | 23.1 | 11.4 |
| Colusa | 0 | 6.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 17.9 |
| Contra Costa | 33 | 14.5 | 22.3 | 11.4 | 9.9 |
| Del Norte | 1 | 14.1 | 14.0 | 14.2 | 14.1 |
| El Dorado | 3 | 8.0 | 5.3 | 10.6 | 8.0 |
| Fresno | 55 | 21.9 | 28.7 | 17.1 | 20.0 |
| Glenn | 1 | 12.3 | 0.0 | 12.3 | 24.6 |
| Humboldt | 4 | 13.6 | 25.1 | 3.1 | 12.6 |
| Imperial | 6 | 12.3 | 17.6 | 8.7 | 10.8 |
| Inyo | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Kern | 35 | 17.4 | 18.1 | 16.0 | 18.2 |
| Kings | 2 | 6.4 | 5.6 | 8.3 | 5.4 |
| Lake | 1 | 10.0 | 22.2 | 0.0 | 7.5 |
| Lassen | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Los Angeles | 755 | 27.9 | 35.5 | 28.2 | 20.3 |
| Madera | 4 | 13.3 | 21.8 | 9.2 | 9.0 |
| Marin | 2 | 3.4 | 6.2 | 4.1 | 0.0 |
| Mariposa | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Mendocino | 3 | 11.9 | 4.4 | 13.4 | 17.9 |
| Merced | 8 | 12.0 | 15.9 | 8.7 | 11.4 |
| Modoc | 1 | 40.2 | 79.1 | 40.2 | 0.0 |
| Mono | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Monterey | 14 | 12.8 | 17.7 | 9.3 | 11.5 |
| Napa | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Nevada | 1 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 10.0 | 0.0 |
| Orange | 83 | 11.5 | 15.6 | 10.4 | 8.6 |
| Placer | 3 | 6.0 | 5.5 | 3.6 | 8.8 |
| Plumas | 0 | 7.2 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 22.3 |
| Riverside | 47 | 11.2 | 13.7 | 11.5 | 8.7 |
| Sacramento | 59 | 18.5 | 19.5 | 19.8 | 16.4 |
| San Benito | 1 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 |
| San Bernardino | 103 | 19.7 | 27.2 | 18.7 | 13.5 |
| San Diego | 65 | 8.9 | 10.1 | 8.8 | 7.8 |
| San Francisco | 19 | 13.6 | 16.8 | 13.3 | 11.0 |
| San Joaquin | 37 | 22.6 | 24.4 | 17.2 | 26.1 |
| San Luis Obispo | 4 | 7.0 | 9.7 | 5.8 | 5.7 |
| San Mateo | 9 | 5.6 | 6.1 | 4.8 | 5.8 |
| Santa Barbara | 5 | 4.6 | 5.1 | 6.0 | 2.9 |
| Santa Clara | 27 | 6.4 | 6.4 | 6.9 | 6.0 |
| Santa Cruz | 5 | 7.5 | 11.4 | 8.1 | 3.2 |
| Shasta | 4 | 8.5 | 16.1 | 4.6 | 4.6 |
| Sierra | 0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Siskiyou | 2 | 18.4 | 0.0 | 27.7 | 28.0 |
| Solano | 13 | 11.5 | 11.9 | 13.6 | 9.0 |
| Sonoma | 8 | 7.5 | 5.7 | 7.5 | 9.2 |
| Stanislaus | 16 | 11.9 | 13.1 | 9.2 | 13.6 |
| Sutter | 0 | 1.5 | 4.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Tehama | 1 | 4.6 | 0.0 | 13.9 | 0.0 |
| Trinity | 1 | 31.3 | 0.0 | 31.3 | 64.1 |
| Tulare | 13 | 11.2 | 12.7 | 4.2 | 16.7 |
| Tuolumne | 1 | 6.1 | 9.0 | 0.0 | 9.2 |
| Ventura | 19 | 9.4 | 12.0 | 9.0 | 7.4 |
| Yolo | 4 | 9.4 | 10.4 | 10.3 | 7.5 |
| Yuba | 2 | 9.7 | 9.6 | 4.9 | 14.5 |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of gun injuries or deaths to children per 100,000 children.

# Gun Injuries & Deaths

Ages 0-5, 1995-1997

| | 1995-1997 Avg. # children 0-5 | 1995-1997 Rate | 1995 Rate | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 47.7 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.2 | 1.7 |
| Alameda | 3.3 | 2.5 | 3.1 | 3.1 | 1.5 |
| Alpine | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Amador | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Butte | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Calaveras | 0.7 | 27.3 | 0.0 | 41.5 | 42.3 |
| Colusa | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Contra Costa | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Del Norte | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| El Dorado | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Fresno | 1.3 | 1.4 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 2.1 |
| Glenn | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Humboldt | 0.3 | 3.4 | 0.0 | 10.2 | 0.0 |
| Imperial | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.0 |
| Inyo | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Kern | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Kings | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Lake | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Lassen | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Los Angeles | 21.7 | 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.6 | 2.4 |
| Madera | 0.7 | 5.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 16.4 |
| Marin | 0.3 | 1.9 | 5.7 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Mariposa | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Mendocino | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Merced | 0.3 | 1.3 | 4.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Modoc | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Mono | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Monterey | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Napa | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Nevada | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Orange | 3.0 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 0.3 | 1.0 |
| Placer | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Plumas | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Riverside | 2.3 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 1.3 | 0.7 |
| Sacramento | 3.3 | 2.9 | 0.9 | 3.5 | 4.4 |
| San Benito | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| San Bernardino | 2.0 | 1.1 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 1.6 |
| San Diego | 2.0 | 0.7 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 1.1 |
| San Francisco | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.8 |
| San Joaquin | 0.3 | 0.6 | 1.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| San Luis Obispo | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 6.2 |
| San Mateo | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Santa Barbara | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 2.6 | 0.0 |
| Santa Clara | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Santa Cruz | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Shasta | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Sierra | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Siskiyou | 0.3 | 11.4 | 0.0 | 34.5 | 0.0 |
| Solano | 0.3 | 0.9 | 2.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Sonoma | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Stanislaus | 0.7 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.5 |
| Sutter | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Tehama | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Trinity | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Tulare | 0.7 | 1.5 | 0.0 | 2.3 | 2.3 |
| Tuolumne | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Ventura | 1.7 | 2.3 | 2.7 | 0.0 | 4.1 |
| Yolo | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| Yuba | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

Source: California Department of Health Services, Epidemiology and Prevention for Injury Control (EPIC) Branch. Note: Rate refers to the number of gun injuries or deaths to children per 100,000 children.

# Motor Vehicle Injuries & Deaths Ages 0-17, 1996-1998

| | Avg. # children 0-17 | 1996-1998 Rate | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate | 1998 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 50,190 | 543 | | 579 | 530 | 522 |
| Alameda | 1,915 | 529 | 14 | 545 | 539 | 504 |
| Alpine | 9 | 3,933 | NR | 4,065 | 0 | 2,183 |
| Amador | 64 | 989 | 49 | 1,052 | 1,093 | 822 |
| Butte | 330 | 669 | 26 | 657 | 639 | 710 |
| Calaveras | 113 | 1,282 | 53 | 1,280 | 1,256 | 1,309 |
| Colusa | 41 | 722 | 32 | 704 | 696 | 765 |
| Contra Costa | 1,083 | 469 | 5 | 496 | 460 | 451 |
| Del Norte | 78 | 1,093 | NR | 810 | 1,449 | 1,018 |
| El Dorado | 294 | 778 | 39 | 841 | 671 | 821 |
| Fresno | 1,683 | 661 | 24 | 719 | 638 | 625 |
| Glenn | 57 | 699 | 29 | 639 | 602 | 854 |
| Humboldt | 252 | 797 | 43 | 944 | 786 | 660 |
| Imperial | 259 | 555 | 15 | 645 | 513 | 509 |
| Inyo | 41 | 934 | 46 | 1,020 | 912 | 869 |
| Kern | 1,266 | 621 | 23 | 674 | 612 | 579 |
| Kings | 225 | 609 | 21 | 768 | 528 | 535 |
| Lake | 116 | 868 | 44 | 862 | 556 | 1,182 |
| Lassen | 69 | 970 | 48 | 1,069 | 730 | 1,112 |
| Los Angeles | 13,348 | 485 | 8 | 531 | 468 | 457 |
| Madera | 302 | 903 | 45 | 1,021 | 757 | 933 |
| Marin | 251 | 506 | 11 | 508 | 488 | 522 |
| Mariposa | 28 | 786 | 41 | 561 | 741 | 1,061 |
| Mendocino | 170 | 761 | 38 | 693 | 846 | 745 |
| Merced | 504 | 720 | 31 | 767 | 671 | 723 |
| Modoc | 19 | 790 | 42 | 604 | 860 | 911 |
| Mono | 29 | 1,094 | 51 | 1,018 | 1,055 | 1,210 |
| Monterey | 466 | 414 | 1 | 461 | 373 | 410 |
| Napa | 224 | 784 | 40 | 832 | 800 | 722 |
| Nevada | 187 | 939 | 47 | 917 | 787 | 1,111 |
| Orange | 3,522 | 472 | 6 | 490 | 473 | 453 |
| Placer | 434 | 757 | 37 | 711 | 737 | 818 |
| Plumas | 43 | 966 | NR | 981 | 802 | 1,118 |
| Riverside | 2,188 | 511 | 12 | 539 | 514 | 483 |
| Sacramento | 2,373 | 734 | 34 | 783 | 721 | 699 |
| San Benito | 92 | 668 | 25 | 592 | 735 | 674 |
| San Bernardino | 3,092 | 586 | 19 | 610 | 587 | 561 |
| San Diego | 3,750 | 499 | 10 | 530 | 475 | 493 |
| San Francisco | 715 | 490 | 9 | 569 | 439 | 463 |
| San Joaquin | 1,152 | 698 | 28 | 708 | 681 | 703 |
| San Luis Obispo | 328 | 619 | 22 | 621 | 645 | 593 |
| San Mateo | 753 | 438 | 2 | 466 | 426 | 425 |
| Santa Barbara | 476 | 465 | 4 | 518 | 444 | 434 |
| Santa Clara | 2,064 | 478 | 7 | 513 | 475 | 449 |
| Santa Cruz | 332 | 527 | 13 | 536 | 532 | 514 |
| Shasta | 298 | 687 | 27 | 663 | 676 | 723 |
| Sierra | 9 | 1,216 | NR | 514 | 809 | 2,425 |
| Siskiyou | 81 | 756 | 36 | 656 | 729 | 886 |
| Solano | 643 | 580 | 18 | 597 | 588 | 555 |
| Sonoma | 799 | 736 | 35 | 787 | 726 | 696 |
| Stanislaus | 959 | 722 | 33 | 716 | 720 | 731 |
| Sutter | 157 | 717 | 30 | 729 | 852 | 572 |
| Tehama | 155 | 1,083 | 50 | 1,229 | 1,028 | 990 |
| Trinity | 36 | 1,147 | NR | 907 | 1,411 | 1,128 |
| Tulare | 719 | 599 | 20 | 635 | 560 | 603 |
| Tuolumne | 130 | 1,198 | 52 | 1,211 | 1,096 | 1,287 |
| Ventura | 1,173 | 576 | 17 | 636 | 554 | 540 |
| Yolo | 181 | 454 | 3 | 469 | 475 | 420 |
| Yuba | 115 | 558 | 16 | 627 | 551 | 498 |

Source: Department of California Highway Patrol, Information Services Unit. Note: Rates refer to number of injuries and deaths caused by motor vehicle accidents per 100,000 childre

# Motor Vehicle Injuries & Deaths Ages 0-5, 1996-1998

| | Avg. # children 0-5 | 1996-1998 Rate | 1996-1998 Rank | 1996 Rate | 1997 Rate | 1998 Rate |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| CALIFORNIA | 8,052 | 237 | | 260 | 227 | 222 |
| Alameda | 282 | 216 | 11 | 232 | 218 | 198 |
| Alpine | 1 | 2,162 | NR | 1,538 | 0 | 5,172 |
| Amador | 5 | 282 | NR | 341 | 340 | 168 |
| Butte | 43 | 277 | 26 | 252 | 247 | 333 |
| Calaveras | 8 | 334 | NR | 208 | 381 | 414 |
| Colusa | 7 | 340 | NR | 414 | 153 | 452 |
| Contra Costa | 146 | 189 | 4 | 186 | 203 | 176 |
| Del Norte | 10 | 461 | NR | 142 | 824 | 428 |
| El Dorado | 24 | 213 | NR | 336 | 109 | 189 |
| Fresno | 331 | 357 | 41 | 422 | 336 | 310 |
| Glenn | 9 | 317 | 36 | 329 | 258 | 365 |
| Humboldt | 32 | 334 | 39 | 439 | 345 | 212 |
| Imperial | 47 | 278 | 27 | 290 | 312 | 230 |
| Inyo | 5 | 399 | NR | 295 | 675 | 226 |
| Kern | 212 | 289 | 29 | 319 | 273 | 275 |
| Kings | 41 | 302 | 31 | 371 | 237 | 298 |
| Lake | 12 | 303 | 32 | 288 | 247 | 375 |
| Lassen | 9 | 463 | 44 | 662 | 347 | 388 |
| Los Angeles | 2,442 | 229 | 15 | 253 | 214 | 217 |
| Madera | 49 | 403 | 42 | 428 | 312 | 470 |
| Marin | 28 | 167 | 2 | 153 | 176 | 173 |
| Mariposa | 5 | 489 | NR | 188 | 791 | 503 |
| Mendocino | 21 | 315 | 35 | 292 | 386 | 267 |
| Merced | 83 | 340 | 40 | 369 | 359 | 290 |
| Modoc | 2 | 287 | NR | 145 | 293 | 418 |
| Mono | 3 | 336 | NR | 243 | 501 | 262 |
| Monterey | 86 | 204 | 9 | 208 | 207 | 195 |
| Napa | 22 | 240 | 18 | 312 | 204 | 203 |
| Nevada | 16 | 295 | 30 | 311 | 280 | 293 |
| Orange | 569 | 191 | 5 | 208 | 193 | 170 |
| Placer | 49 | 268 | 22 | 236 | 310 | 259 |
| Plumas | 5 | 428 | NR | 537 | 277 | 469 |
| Riverside | 332 | 219 | 13 | 244 | 205 | 208 |
| Sacramento | 344 | 303 | 33 | 360 | 268 | 281 |
| San Benito | 14 | 279 | 28 | 320 | 265 | 256 |
| San Bernardino | 502 | 268 | 23 | 289 | 255 | 261 |
| San Diego | 580 | 203 | 8 | 216 | 197 | 196 |
| San Francisco | 134 | 242 | 19 | 254 | 246 | 224 |
| San Joaquin | 183 | 325 | 38 | 321 | 333 | 321 |
| San Luis Obispo | 32 | 197 | 7 | 169 | 215 | 207 |
| San Mateo | 99 | 159 | 1 | 182 | 149 | 146 |
| Santa Barbara | 73 | 192 | 6 | 201 | 182 | 193 |
| Santa Clara | 350 | 219 | 12 | 264 | 218 | 174 |
| Santa Cruz | 47 | 211 | 10 | 212 | 215 | 207 |
| Shasta | 35 | 271 | 24 | 204 | 302 | 308 |
| Sierra | 2 | 1,355 | NR | 794 | 1,653 | 1,639 |
| Siskiyou | 8 | 275 | 25 | 276 | 244 | 305 |
| Solano | 86 | 235 | 17 | 291 | 225 | 188 |
| Sonoma | 93 | 267 | 21 | 286 | 242 | 273 |
| Stanislaus | 145 | 322 | 37 | 360 | 304 | 302 |
| Sutter | 19 | 253 | 20 | 289 | 253 | 215 |
| Tehama | 19 | 430 | 43 | 570 | 314 | 403 |
| Trinity | 3 | 366 | NR | 477 | 487 | 125 |
| Tulare | 137 | 315 | 34 | 329 | 306 | 309 |
| Tuolumne | 11 | 364 | NR | 423 | 133 | 536 |
| Ventura | 161 | 222 | 14 | 255 | 193 | 219 |
| Yolo | 24 | 173 | 3 | 193 | 188 | 137 |
| Yuba | 16 | 230 | 16 | 183 | 216 | 292 |

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